

THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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[There is no reportable action as a result of the 1 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.] 2 3 5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO THE LOS 6 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' AUGUST 9, 2016 MEETING. 7 8 OUR MEETING WILL NOW COME TO ORDER. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY THE HONORABLE SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND THE PLEDGE WILL BE 9 10 LED BY ADAMS FEI, FORMER SPECIALIST, UNITED STATES ARMY, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, FOURTH DISTRICT. EVERYONE PLEASE STAND. 11 12 SUP. KNABE: JOIN ME IN AN ATTITUDE OF PRAYER, PLEASE. OH 13 GRACIOUS AND HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME BEFORE YOU ONCE AGAIN TO 14 GIVE YOU THANKS. WE THANK YOU FOR YESTERDAY. WE THANK YOU FOR 15 16 TODAY. AND WE THANK YOU FOR TOMORROW. AND WE JUST ASK YOUR GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION OVER OUR DELIBERATIONS TODAY AS WE WORK 17 18 TO WORK WITH ALL OF THOSE WHO COME TOGETHER IN THE FORM OF 19 COUNTY GOVERNMENT. WE THANK YOU FOR EMPLOYEES, THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR PUBLIC SAFETY TEAMS, AND THE CITIZENS THAT WE 20 REPRESENT. SO WE JUST SAY THANK YOU AND ASK FOR YOUR GUIDANCE 21 22 AND DIRECTION AND ALL GOD'S PEOPLE SAID AMEN. 23 ADAMS FEI: PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER 24 YOUR HEART. IF YOU ARE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE 25



- 1 AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 2 RECITED.]

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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- 6 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO
- 7 PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION TO MR.
- 8 ADAMS FEI, A FORMER SPECIALIST IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY,
- 9 SERVING FROM 2009 TO 2012. HE CURRENTLY LIVES IN ROWLAND
- 10 HEIGHTS. ADAMS IS A RECIPIENT OF MANY AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS
- 11 FOR HIS SERVICE, INCLUDING THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL, THE
- 12 NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, THE ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL,
- 13 AND THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM MEDAL. HE'S ALSO AN L.A.
- 14 COUNTY EMPLOYEE WORKING AS AN ELIGIBILITY WORKER IN OUR
- 15 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. SO ON BEHALF OF THE
- 16 BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO LEAD US
- 17 IN THE PLEDGE, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE
- 18 FOR OUR COUNTRY. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. AT THIS TIME THE EXECUTIVE
- 21 OFFICER WILL CALL THE AGENDA.

- 23 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND
- 24 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA BEGINS ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL
- 25 DISTRICT AGENDAS. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY



- 1 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
- 2 AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 3 HELD. ITEM 2-D IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 6 KUEHL. SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 8 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
- 9 OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY. ITEM 1-H IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 11 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 12 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 14 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
- 15 OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ITEM 1-P, A
- 16 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
- 17 PAGE 6, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12, ON ITEMS 1
- 18 AND 3, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS
- 19 BE HELD. ITEM NO. 6, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT
- 20 THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM NO. 4, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 21 HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 22 HAS REQUESTED THAT ITEM 8, 10 AND 12 BE HELD. THE REMAINING
- 23 ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.



- 1 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR DON
- 2 KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 4 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS
- 5 13 THROUGH 43. ON ITEMS 13 AND 14, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE
- 6 REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR
- 7 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT
- 8 THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM IS RELATED TO AGENDA ITEM 1-D. ON
- 9 ITEM 16, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM
- 10 BE HELD. ON NO. 18, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT
- 11 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 20, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
- 12 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS MATTER BE CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER
- 13 6, 2016, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 21,
- 14 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
- 15 ON ITEMS 22 AND 23, 24 AND 25, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE
- 16 REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 28, 29, 30 AND
- 17 32, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE
- 18 HELD. ON ITEM 33 AND 35, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED
- 19 THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT
- 20 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 22 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THESE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 23 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION.



- 1 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 22, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS
- 2 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
- 3 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
- 4 ITEM 44-B, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 5 HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 44-E, A MEMBER
- 6 OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
- 7 44-A, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 8 HELD. AND ON ITEM C.S.-1 AND C.S.-3, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 9 HAS REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. THE BALANCE OF THE
- 10 SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 12 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THESE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 13 SHEILA KUEHL. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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- 15 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
- 16 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
- 17 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2, AND THE FIRST CHAIR PRESENTATION
- 18 IS RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK.

- 20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS MORNING,
- 21 WE HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR
- 22 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS. OUR NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK. AND IT
- 23 IS THE WEEK OF AUGUST THE 7TH THROUGH THE 13TH AND IT HONORS
- 24 THE INNOVATIVE SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS. THERE ARE
- 25 MORE THAN 1.4 MILLION LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO RECEIVE



- 1 CARE AT THESE HEALTHCARE CENTERS REGARDLESS OF THEIR ABILITY
- 2 TO PAY, AND MORE THAN 62 PERCENT OF THESE PATIENTS FALL BELOW
- 3 THE FEDERAL POVERTY LINE. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THERE ARE
- 4 MORE THAN 89 COMMUNITY CLINICS AND HEALTH CENTERS OPERATING
- 5 OVER 300 FULL-TIME SITES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
- 6 COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS PROVIDE NEEDED COMPREHENSIVE, WHOLE-
- 7 PERSON CARE TO INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THE
- 8 COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS 58-
- 9 MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS ARE PIVOTAL IN IDENTIFYING WAYS TO
- 10 PROVIDE NEW MODELS OF CARE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVERSE,
- 11 VIBRANT COMMUNITIES, AND ARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF IMPROVING ALL
- 12 DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH. HEALTH CENTERS ARE ALSO IMPORTANT
- 13 BECAUSE OF THEIR ABILITY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUALS WHO
- 14 MIGHT OTHERWISE ONLY SEEK CARE THROUGH EMERGENCY ROOMS OR
- 15 AFTER IT'S TOO LATE TO PROVIDE PREVENTIVE CARE SERVICES.
- 16 HEALTHCARE CENTERS ALSO PROVIDE A BRIDGE BETWEEN GOVERNMENT
- 17 PROGRAMS THROUGH STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS. LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 18 AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS VALUE THEIR PARTNERSHIP AND COMMUNITY
- 19 HEALTH CENTERS AS THEY ARE CRITICAL IN CREATING THE DYNAMIC
- 20 HEALTHCARE LANDSCAPE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THESE CRITICAL
- 21 PROVIDERS HAVE REDUCED INFANT MORTALITY RATES AND PRODUCED \$24
- 22 BILLION IN SAVINGS TO THE UNITED STATES HEALTHCARE SYSTEM,
- 23 REDUCED UNNECESSARY HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND UNNECESSARY VISITS
- 24 TO E.R., AND MAINTAINED PATIENT SATISFACTION LEVELS OF NEARLY
- 25 100 PERCENT NATIONWIDE. WE ALL WANT TO SALUTE YOU AND THOSE



- 1 INDIVIDUALS THAT YOU SERVE BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT YOU ARE OUR
- 2 UNSUNG HEROES IN MANY WAYS, AND YOU ARE OUR SAFETY NET FOR THE
- 3 COUNTY. CONGRATULATIONS, AND IF YOU'D LIKE TO PLEASE MAKE A
- 4 STATEMENT? YES?

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- 6 SPEAKER: THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAME CHAIR AND THANK YOU TO ALL
- 7 THE SUPERVISORS FOR ALL OF YOUR WORK, PARTNERSHIP AND SUPPORT
- 8 OF THE CLINICS AND HEALTH CENTERS THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY OVER
- 9 MANY, MANY YEARS. YOU MENTIONED PARTNERSHIP, AND YOU MENTIONED
- 10 THE LARGE NUMBER OF PATIENTS THAT THE CLINICS SERVE. THEY
- 11 SERVE THOSE FOLKS IN-- DUE LARGELY TO THE SUPPORT OF THE
- 12 COUNTY. IT IS BECAUSE OF YOU THAT WE ARE ABLE TO GROW, AND
- 13 WE'RE GROWING TOGETHER TO PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY NET
- 14 WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, THAT INCLUDES SUBSTANCE ABUSE
- 15 SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH, ENROLLMENT SUPPORT WITH D.P.S.S. AS
- 16 WELL AS, OF COURSE, PRIMARY, SPECIALTY AND HOSPITAL CARE. WE
- 17 LOOK FORWARD TO MORE PARTNERSHIP AND THANK YOU FOR THE
- 18 RECOGNITION.

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- 20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ALL MEMBERS. [APPLAUSE.] GREAT. THANK
- 21 YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO. I BELIEVE,
- 22 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION? OKAY.
- 23 THEN WE GO TO THE NEXT.



- 1 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU. MAY I HAVE THE FANTASTIC PEOPLE
- 2 THAT I'M HONORING TODAY COME UP ON THE DAIS? I THINK YOU'VE
- 3 PROBABLY READ A LOT IN THE PAPER ABOUT THE FACT THAT L.A.
- 4 COUNTY HAS A VERY SERIOUS NEED TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN MORE
- 5 FOSTER PARENTS. ONE OF THE BIGGEST BARRIERS FACED BY
- 6 PROSPECTIVE FOSTER PARENTS, AS IDENTIFIED BY MANY OF THOSE WHO
- 7 ARE PROVIDING THIS WONDERFUL SERVICE TO US, IS CHILDCARE,
- 8 ESPECIALLY FOR INFANTS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 0 AND 3, AND
- 9 ESPECIALLY A QUICK BRIDGE KIND OF CHILDCARE BECAUSE OFTEN YOU
- 10 GET THIS CALL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, AND IT'S, "YOU SAID
- 11 YOU WOULD TAKE A KID, AND WE'RE READY." SO IMAGINE YOU'RE A
- 12 PROSPECTIVE FOSTER PARENT. ONE DAY YOU'RE AT YOUR OFFICE. YOU
- 13 GET A CALL. YOU'RE TOLD A BABY FEW WEEKS OLD NEEDS A HOME AND
- 14 YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A FOSTER PARENT. SO DESPITE THE FACT
- 15 THAT THE BABY WILL BE BROUGHT TO YOU IN THE NEXT FEW HOURS,
- 16 YOU DON'T HAVE YET YOUR BABY FOOD, DIAPERS, BABY CLOTHES, BUT
- 17 YOUR HEART TELLS YOU TO SAY YES. YOU HESITATE BECAUSE YOU KNOW
- 18 YOU CAN'T TAKE WEEKS OFF WORK. IT'S GOING TO BE HARD FINDING
- 19 CHILDCARE FOR AN INFANT. IT'S REALLY EXPENSIVE, AND YOU KNOW
- 20 YOU CAN'T AFFORD IT. AND SO A LITTLE BIT HEARTBROKEN, YOU
- 21 MIGHT SAY NO AT THAT POINT AND THAT BABY GOES ANOTHER DAY
- 22 WITHOUT A LOVING FOSTER FAMILY. THIS PAST SPRING, A GROUP OF
- 23 DEDICATED ADVOCATES AND POLICYMAKERS DECIDE THIS SITUATION HAD
- 24 SITUATION HAD TO CHANGE. SOME OF THEM ARE LONG-TIME CHILD
- 25 WELFARE ADVOCATES. OTHERS ARE EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION



- 1 LEADERS. SOME OF THEM ARE FOSTER PARENTS WORKING TOGETHER. AND
- 2 THEY HELPED TO DEVELOP WHAT WAS CALLED THE CHILDCARE BRIDGE
- 3 PROPOSAL. THEY TRAVELED MULTIPLE TIMES TO SACRAMENTO TO SHARE
- 4 THEIR STORIES, THEIR STORIES OF FOSTER PARENTS AND PROSPECTIVE
- 5 STATE-- TO TRY TO PERSUADE STATE LEGISLATORS TO TRY TO COMMIT
- 6 MONEY TO HELP FOSTER PARENTS TAKING THESE YOUNGEST CHILDREN TO
- 7 FIND CHILDCARE AND PAY FOR IT. AS OFTEN HAPPENS, THOUGH THEY
- 8 DID THEIR BEST FOR THE WHOLE LEGISLATIVE YEAR, THE
- 9 LEGISLATURE, AT THE END, MADE A A DECISION NOT TO DO IT. WE
- 10 CAME VERY, VERY CLOSE. WE DIDN'T WIN, BUT WE'RE NOT GIVING UP.
- 11 AND THESE AMAZING ADVOCATES HAVE MADE A COMMITMENT TO BUILD ON
- 12 THE MOMENTUM GENERATED THIS YEAR, COME BACK NEXT YEAR EVEN
- 13 MORE DETERMINED. SO PLEASE HELP ME TO RECOGNIZE THESE
- 14 CHAMPIONS FOR OUR STATE'S YOUNGEST CHILDREN. OUR FOSTER
- 15 PARENTS, JIM CHAMBLIS AND AMY WOODS, RICHARD COHEN FROM THE
- 16 CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE, MOLLY DUNN FROM THE ALLIANCE FOR
- 17 CHILDREN'S RIGHTS, TIM MORRISON FROM CHILDREN NOW, DONNA
- 18 SNURRINGER, DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AT THE CHILDCARE
- 19 RESOURCE CENTER, ANGELA VASQUEZ, WHO IS WORKING WITH THE
- 20 ADVANCEMENT PROJECT. MARTHA GUERRERO, OUR LEGISLATIVE
- 21 REPRESENTATIVE IN SACRAMENTO, HELEN BAVARIAN, D.C.F.S. DEPUTY
- 22 DIRECTOR, AND PHILIP BROWNING-- GOT SOME FANS OUT THERE,
- 23 HELEN-- [LAUGHTER.] AND PHIL BROWNING, YOU ARE PROBABLY GOING
- 24 TO HAVE TO CLAP FOR PHIL NOW OR HE'S GOING TO REALLY FEEL BAD.
- 25 [LAUGHTER.] PHIL BROWNING, OUR D.C.F.S. DIRECTOR, AND EVEN



- 1 THOUGH WE'RE NOT EVER ALLOWED TO GIVE A SCROLL OR RECOGNITION
- 2 TO OUR STAFF, I WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO JEANIE CHO ON MY
- 3 STAFF. [APPLAUSE.] WHO WORKED WITH THIS GROUP. IT'S OFTEN
- 4 UNRECOGNIZED THE KIND OF WORK THAT FOSTER PARENTS, THEIR
- 5 ADVOCATES, OUR CHILDREN'S ADVOCATES AND OUR CHILDREN'S
- 6 SERVICES DO FOR THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF THESE KIDS. SO I
- 7 WANT YOU TO PLEASE HELP ME THANK THEM AND CHEER THEM FOR THE
- 8 WORK THEY DID THIS YEAR AND, FRANKLY, THE WORK THEY'RE GOING
- 9 TO DO NEXT YEAR. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE TWO
- 10 TYPES OF PICTURES. PHIL WANTS TO SAY SOMETHING, HERE YOU GO,
- 11 PHIL.

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- 13 PHILIP BROWNING: I WANT TO SAY, THIS WAS AN AMAZING GROUP
- 14 BEHIND ME THAT REALLY TOLD STORIES THAT I THINK HAD VERY
- 15 SELDOM BEEN TOLD TO LEGISLATORS TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO PROVIDE
- 16 THE FUNDING. BUT THE BRAINCHILD BEHIND ALL OF THIS WAS
- 17 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I THINK MOST OF YOU KNOW THAT SHE IS ONE OF
- 18 THE MOST ACCOMPLISHED SPEAKERS WE HAVE. BUT WHAT I THINK IS SO
- 19 IMPORTANT: SHE'S TENACIOUS AND SHE BRINGS OUT THE BEST IN ALL
- 20 OF US. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO GIVE HER CREDIT FOR.
- 21 SO LET'S GIVE HER A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

- 23 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: SO BECAUSE THE COUNTY IS SO MEDIA SAVVY
- 24 THESE DAYS, WE ARE GOING TO TAKE TWO KINDS OF PICTURES WITH
- 25 THESE FOLKS. ONE WITH OUR CUDDLY STUFFED ANIMALS BECAUSE



- 1 EVERYONE IS GOING TO RETWEET THAT FOREVER. AND ONE WITHOUT SO
- 2 THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE A SERIOUS ONE TO HANG ON OUR WALL. SO
- 3 WE'RE JUST GOING TO TAKE A SECOND FOR THAT. THANK YOU.

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WE ARE NOW GOING TO WELCOME PASTOR LARRY
- 6 CAMPBELL WHO IS THE SENIOR PASTOR OF THE FIRST A.M.E. CHURCH
- 7 IN PASADENA, AND ALSO A UNITED STATES MARINE VETERAN WHO IS
- 8 GOING TO LEAD US IN THE OPENING PRAYER. SO, PASTOR?

- 10 DR. LARRY E. CAMPBELL: GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. IT IS A
- 11 PLEASURE TO BE HERE THIS MORNING TO SHARE WITH YOU IN THE
- 12 INVOCATION. SHALL WE BOW OUR HEADS IN PRAYER? MOST GRACIOUS,
- 13 ETERNAL, EVERLASTING GOD, THE GIVER OF ALL GOOD GIFTS AND
- 14 GRACES, HEAVENLY FATHER, WE GIVE THANKS TO YOU FOR THE GIFT OF
- 15 ANOTHER DAY. WE THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL WHO HAVE GATHERED
- 16 HERE TODAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY AND ABUNDANT BLESSINGS.
- 17 THANK YOU FOR LIFE ITSELF, FOR THE MEASURE OF HEALTH WE NEED
- 18 TO CONTINUE TO DO THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN US. THANK YOU
- 19 FOR THE ABILITY TO BE INVOLVED IN USEFUL WORK AND FOR THE
- 20 HONOR OF BEARING APPROPRIATE RESPONSIBILITIES. THANKS, AS
- 21 WELL, FOR THE FREEDOM TO EMBRACE YOU AND THE FREEDOM TO REJECT
- 22 YOU. THANK YOU FOR BEING IN LOVE WITH US AND ALLOWING US TO BE
- 23 IN LOVE WITH YOU. THANK YOU FOR LAW AND ORDER. THANK YOU FOR
- 24 SOCIAL JUSTICE. NOW, LORD, WE PRAY FOR OUR PRESIDENT, WE PRAY
- 25 FOR OUR GOVERNOR, WE PRAY FOR OUR LOS ANGELES BOARD OF



- 1 SUPERVISORS AND VARIOUS LEVELS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS AND
- 2 PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE ASSEMBLED IN THIS COUNCIL TODAY. WE
- 3 ASK THAT YOU NOW THAT YOU WOULD GRACIOUSLY GRANT THEM WISDOM
- 4 TO GOVERN US, A SENSE OF WELFARE TO UNDERSTAND THAT THEY SERVE
- 5 PEOPLE AND NOT THINGS, A SENSE OF THIRST FOR JUSTICE AND
- 6 RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND THE CONFIDENCE TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT. WE THANK
- 7 YOU NOW, LORD, FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. WE ASK THAT YOU WOULD
- 8 BLESS THIS ASSEMBLY AND THIS AGENDA THIS MORNING. IT'S THE
- 9 NAME OF OUR GOD WE PRAY, AND THE PEOPLE OF GOD SAID AMEN.

- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH: LET ME ONCE AGAIN INTRODUCE PASTOR CAMPBELL.
- 12 BEFORE ASSUMING THE PASTORATE IN PASADENA, HE SERVED AS THE
- 13 SENIOR PASTOR OF ST. PAUL A.M.E. CHURCH IN SAN BERNARDINO FOR
- 14 EIGHT YEARS, ALSO FOUNDING PASTOR OF GRACE A.M.E. CHURCH IN
- 15 TELL TEMECULA WHERE HE SERVED FOR OVER 6 YEARS. WHILE SERVING
- 16 AS A UNITED STATES MARINE ASSIGNMENT IN JAPAN, HE SERVED AS
- 17 THE INTERIM PASTOR OF THE FOSTER GOSPEL CHAPEL SERVICE FOR ONE
- 18 YEAR. HE'S A NATIVE, PROUD NATIVE, OF JACKSONBORO, SOUTH
- 19 CAROLINA. EARNED HIS DOCTORATE OF MINISTRY DEGREE FROM THE
- 20 UNITED THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN DAYTON, OHIO, HIS MASTER OF
- 21 ARTS DEGREE IN HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT FROM NATIONAL
- 22 UNIVERSITY, A MASTER'S OF DIVINITY DEGREE FROM OUR OWN AZUSA
- 23 PACIFIC UNIVERSITY AND HIS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN
- 24 CRIMINAL JUSTICE FROM THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. HE'S BEEN
- 25 MARRIED FOR 30 YEARS TO MELINDA CAMPBELL, A TALENTED WOMAN IN



- 1 HER OWN RIGHT, AND THEY'RE VERY PROUD OF THEIR SON WHO IS AN
- 2 ADULT, TERRANCE LAMAR CAMPBELL, AS THE EDITOR AT HALLMARK
- 3 CARDS, IN KANSAS CITY. SO WHEN YOU BUY THOSE CARDS FROM
- 4 HALLMARK, PASTOR CAMPBELL'S SON LAMAR, TERRANCE, HAS HELPED
- 5 DRIVE SOME OF THOSE WONDERFUL VERSES. HE'S A MILITARY VETERAN
- 6 WHO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, RETIRED AS THE
- 7 CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER WITH OVER 29 YEARS OF SERVICE. SO,
- 8 PASTOR, WE JUST WANT TO THANK YOU AND ALSO HAPPEN TO GIVE YOU
- 9 A C.D. OF BOB DYLAN'S GOSPEL SONGS, "SAVED" AND "WHO ARE YOU
- 10 GOING TO SERVE?" THAT ARE REALLY INSPIRATIONAL AS WELL,
- 11 BECAUSE YOU HAVE ONE OF THE MOST DYNAMIC CHOIRS AND MUSICAL
- 12 COLLECTION OF NOT JUST THE ORCHESTRA AND THE CHOIR BUT THE
- 13 MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION BECAUSE THEY FEEL THE SPIRIT AND
- 14 WE APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP IN PASADENA, ALTADENA AND LOS
- 15 ANGELES COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.]

- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: DR. TARA PIR IS THE FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR OF
- 18 THE INSTITUTE FOR MULTICULTURAL COUNSELING AND EDUCATION
- 19 SERVICES. UNDER HER LEADERSHIP, THEY HAVE ACHIEVED MANY
- 20 OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS. IT HAS EARNED THE D.P.I. N.G.O.
- 21 STATUS, SPECIAL CONSULTIVE STATUS WITH THE UNITED NATIONS
- 22 ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AND A.P.A. ACCREDITATION FOR ITS
- 23 DOCTORAL INTERN PROGRAM. A PRIVATE, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION,
- 24 THEY HAVE DEVELOPED MANY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMS WHICH HAVE BEEN
- 25 AWARDED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN



- 1 PUBLIC/PRIVATE MODELS OF OPERATIONS. SHE'S A CLINICAL
- 2 PSYCHOLOGIST AND DIPLOMAT IN BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE, IN
- 3 PROFESSIONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY WITH NEARLY THREE DECADES OF
- 4 EXPERIENCE. SHE IS COMMITTED TO PROMOTING HUMAN RIGHTS AND
- 5 IT'S DEMONSTRATED BY HER SERVICE TO CULTURALLY DIVERSE
- 6 POPULATIONS AND WORKFORCE CLINICAL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR MENTAL
- 7 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. HER AIM IS TO PROVIDE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE,
- 8 CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE SERVICES TO THE MOST UNDERSERVED
- 9 POPULATIONS IN OUR COMMUNITY BY PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE TRAINED
- 10 AT THE HIGHEST STANDARD OF PRACTICE. SO WE WANT TO THANK YOU
- 11 VERY MUCH AND GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE
- 12 BOARD FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE.]

- 14 DR. TARA PIR: I HUMBLY ACCEPT THIS RECOGNITION ON BEHALF OF
- 15 ALL IMMIGRANT WOMEN OF COLOR WHO FACED AND MET THE CHALLENGES
- 16 OF FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT SINCE 1948, U.N. DECLARATION OF HUMAN
- 17 RIGHTS. THOSE WHO TRULY IN ACTION PROMOTED RESILIENCY AND
- 18 CONTRIBUTED TO WELLNESS OF OUR COMMUNITY. I'M GRATEFUL TO
- 19 APPRECIATE -- TO SHARE THIS MOMENT WITH ALL OF OUR STAFF
- 20 MEMBERS AT I.M.C.E.S., THE COMMUNITY CLINIC, THE STAFF THAT
- 21 BRINGS THEIR STRONG COMMITMENT AND THEIR SKILLS AND ABILITY TO
- 22 IDENTIFY THE MOST VULNERABLE TARGET POPULATION OF DIVERSE
- 23 NEEDS, TO PROVIDE THEM WITH OUR VERY INTEGRATIVE MODEL OF
- 24 TREATMENTS THAT INCLUDES HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, SOCIAL
- 25 SERVICES AND LEGAL ADVOCACY. I'M PROUD TO TELL YOU THAT MY NEW



- 1 INITIATIVE ON LEGAL ADVOCACY TO PREVENT RADICALIZATION AND
- 2 RECIDIVISM BY INCLUDING THE LEGAL ATTORNEY TO PROVIDE THE
- 3 SERVICES NEEDED AS A PART OF OUR TREATMENT TEAM PRODUCED THE
- 4 WONDERFUL OUTCOME THAT D.M.H. REPORTED THAT OUR SEVERELY
- 5 MENTALLY ILL POPULATION DID NOT GET TO JAIL OR HOSPITAL WITHIN
- 6 THE LAST YEAR. THIS VERY SENSIBLE, SENSITIVE, MOST COST-
- 7 EFFECTIVE PROGRAM TO PREVENT SENDING SOMEONE TO BE ARRESTED OR
- 8 GOES TO JAIL HAS BEEN PRODUCED A WONDERFUL OUTCOME THAT I
- 9 PRESENTED IN OUR NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL, OF COURSE, CONVENTION
- 10 AT YOKOHAMA JUST TWO WEEKS AGO. AND THIS PROGRAM WAS
- 11 RECOGNIZED AS THE MOST GLOBAL REPLICABLE INTERVENTION PROJECT,
- 12 AND I HOPE THAT I CAN GET SOME LOCAL ATTENTION TO THAT. THANK
- 13 YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THIS HONOR. AND THANK YOU FOR SERVING THE
- 14 COMMUNITY. [APPLAUSE.]

- 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH: DR. SHA? IT'S A REAL PLEASURE TODAY THAT
- 17 WE'RE RECOGNIZING DR. ZHI GANG SHA. MANY OF YOU MAY HAVE
- 18 RECOGNIZED HIM FROM P.B.S. ON ONE OF THE PROGRAMS THERE. HE'S
- 19 A TALENTED MEDICAL DOCTOR BUT HE'S ALSO TRAINED IN MULTIPLE
- 20 DISCIPLINES. HE'S A GRAND MASTER IN QIGONG, TAI CHI, KUNG FU
- 21 AND FENG SHUI. IN 2006 HE WAS HONORED WITH THE PRESTIGIOUS
- 22 MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMEMORATIVE COMMISSION AWARD FOR HIS
- 23 HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS. IN 2014, MASTER SHA WAS RECOGNIZED BY
- 24 THE CITIES IN MAUI AND HONOLULU FOR HIS COMPASSIONATE SERVICE
- 25 TO PROMOTE LOVE, PEACE AND HARMONY WORLDWIDE. IN 2015, HE WAS



- 1 INVITED TO BE ONE OF THE FOUNDING SIGNATORIES OF THE FUJI
- 2 DECLARATIONS, WHOSE MISSION WAS TO CREATE LASTING PEACE AND HE
- 3 ALSO BECAME THE QIGONG MASTER OF THE YEAR AT THE FIFTH WORLD
- 4 CONGRESS IN OIGONG, THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF
- 5 "TAO I" AND "TAO II" AND A CELEBRATED AND LEADING AUTHORITY ON
- 6 TAO HEALING PRACTICES. THOUSANDS OF HIS STUDENTS HAVE
- 7 PARTICIPATED IN MASTER SHA'S 10 YEAR TAO RETREAT PROGRAM FOR
- 8 REJUVENATION, HEALING AND LONGEVITY. AND HE'S JOINED TODAY BY
- 9 WILLIAM, WHERE'S WILLIAM GLADSTONE? IN THE FRONT. WILLIAM IS
- 10 THE INTERNATIONAL BEST SELLER, "THE TWELVE" AND "THE POWER OF
- 11 TWELVE", GRADUATE OF YALE AND HARVARD UNIVERSITIES AND HAS CO-
- 12 HOSTED THE P.B.S. 13 PART MINISERIES "INSIDE WELLNESS." AND
- 13 ADAM MARKEL, ADAM IS AN ATTORNEY AND BEST SELLING AUTHOR OF
- 14 "REINVENTING YOUR CAREER AND LIFE," A GRADUATE OF ST. JOHN'S
- 15 UNIVERSITY. HIS LAW DEGREE HAS REPRESENTED THOUSANDS OF
- 16 BUSINESSES AND CLIENTS INCLUDING H.S.B.C. SO DR. SHA, MASTER
- 17 SHA, WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE YOU AND GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION
- 18 ONCE AGAIN FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

- 20 DR. ZHI GANG SHA: THANK YOU SO MUCH. I CAME FROM CHINA IN 1990
- 21 IN CANADA. FROM 1992, I STARTED TO TRAVEL WORLDWIDE. I TEACH
- 22 PEOPLE ANCIENT HEALING SELF WISDOM AND PRACTICE. I COMBINE THE
- 23 ESSENCE OF WESTERN MEDICINE, TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE AND
- 24 THE 5,000 YEARS CHINESE ENERGY AND THE SPIRITUAL HEALING TO
- 25 CREATE A SOUL HEALING SYSTEM. SO I HAVE BROUGHT A FEW BOOKS. I



- 1 GAVE OUR SUPERVISORS. IT IS MY GREAT HONOR TODAY. MY MISSION
- 2 IS TO CREATE LOVE, PEACE, HARMONY, WORLD FAMILY. SO I RECEIVED
- 3 THE SONG FROM THE HEAVEN. I WILL SING A SONG JUST ONE MINUTE.
- 4 I LOVE MY HEART AND SOUL. I LOVE ALL HUMANITY. JOIN THE HEART
- 5 AND THE SOULS TOGETHER. LOVE, PEACE AND HARMONY. LOVE, PEACE
- 6 AND HARMONY. YOU SEE, WE ARE IN A GLOBAL WARMING PERIOD. SO
- 7 MANY DISASTERS. HUMANITY ARE SUFFERING. I COMMIT MY LIFE TO BE
- 8 A SERVANT. I WILL SING A SONG. I LOVE MY HEART AND SOUL. I
- 9 LOVE ALL HUMANITY. JOIN HEART AND SOULS TOGETHER. LOVE, PEACE
- 10 AND HARMONY. LOVE, PEACE AND HARMONY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
- 11 MICHAEL. ALL THE SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU.
- 12 LOVE YOU. LOVE YOU, LOVE YOU, LOVE YOU. [APPLAUSE]

14 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND HIS WIFE WEI LING, CHRISTINE, IS HERE, AS

15 WELL. SHEILA?

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW TO SHOW LOVE, THIS IS LITTLE MIA, WHO'S

- 18 EIGHT WEEKS OLD. THIS IS LITTLE MIA TO SHOW YOU LOVE. EIGHT
- 19 WEEKS OLD, A LITTLE BEAGLE LOOKING FOR A HOME. (AUDIENCE
- 20 VOCALIZING AND APPLAUDING).

22 SPEAKER: LOOK AT THOSE EARS. LOOK AT HOW CUTE.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH: EIGHT WEEKS OLD, LITTLE GIRL. YOU CAN CALL
- 25 562-728-4610. THIS IS LITTLE MIA. AND SHE HEARD LOVE AND SHE



- 1 SAYS, "WELL HERE I AM" WITH FOUR LITTLE PAWS. NOT LIKE THAT.
- 2 MARK, EVEN THIS WOULD TURN YOUR HEART. TAKE MORE THAN A
- 3 CHANCE. [LAUGHTER.]

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- 5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: LET'S GET STARTED HERE. WE'RE GOING
- 6 TO GO AHEAD AND HAVE OUR-- WE'RE GOING TO ISSUE THE CODE OF
- 7 CONDUCT FOR THE PUBLIC.

- 9 RECORDING: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
- 10 ATTENTION? THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
- 11 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
- 12 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
- 13 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
- 14 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
- 15 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
- 16 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
- 17 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
- 18 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
- 19 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
- 20 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 21 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
- 22 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
- 23 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
- 24 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
- 25 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM



- 1 UTTERING, WRITING OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
- 2 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
- 3 TOWARDS THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER
- 4 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE
- 5 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY
- 6 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
- 7 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
- 8 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
- 9 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR
- 10 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR
- 11 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,
- 12 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.
- 13 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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- 15 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, VERY GOOD. WE'LL PROCEED NOW BY
- 16 CALLING UP SPEAKERS THAT HAVE HELD ITEMS. I HAVE LEAH GARLAND,
- 17 HELD ITEM 44-A AND SHERRY LEAR, 44-A. IF YOU'LL PLEASE COME
- 18 FORWARD? AND I HAVE IRENE PANG, ITEM 28. AND PLEASE STATE YOUR
- 19 NAME FOR THE RECORD. GOOD MORNING.

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21 SHERRY LEAR: GOOD MORNING. SHERRY LEAR.

- 23 DR. LEAH GARLAND: WELL, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK
- 24 TODAY. MY NAME IS DR. LEAH GARLAND. I AM AN L.A. RESIDENT AND
- 25 A MEMBER OF SO. CAL. 350. BUT FIRST I WANT TO THANK SHEILA



- 1 KUEHL AND HILDA SOLIS FOR BRINGING THE PENDING RESOLUTION FOR
- 2 CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I URGE YOU
- 3 TO WRITE A LETTER OF OPPOSITION TO THE SAN LUIS OBISPO
- 4 PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DENY AN EXPANSION
- 5 PERMIT TO THE PHILLIPS 66 SANTA MARIA REFINERY CRUDE BY RAIL
- 6 OPERATION. THE REVISED DRAFT E.I.R. CONCLUDES THAT A PROPOSED
- 7 PHILLIPS 66 RAIL SPUR EXTENSION PROJECT WOULD CAUSE
- 8 SIGNIFICANT AND UNAVOIDABLE RAIL ACCIDENT HAZARD RISKS ALONG
- 9 THE MAIN RAIL LINE THAT COULD RESULT IN OIL SPILLS, FIRES AND
- 10 EXPLOSIONS NEAR POPULATED AREAS. NOW IS THE MOMENT TO PREVENT
- 11 TRAGEDY. IT IS A RISK TO MORE THAN 5 MILLION PEOPLE STATEWIDE
- 12 IN A ONE MILE EVACUATION AREA. THE RAIL LINE GOES TO AND FROM
- 13 DENSELY POPULATED NEIGHBORHOODS IN THE LOS ANGELES BASIN AND
- 14 RIGHT ALONG THE L.A. RIVER. IMAGINE HOW THE EXPANSION WOULD
- 15 IMPACT CALIFORNIA COMMUNITIES. 3 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY OF
- 16 VOLATILE AND TOXIC CRUDE TRANSPORTED TO UNSAFE, OIL TANK CARS
- 17 THROUGH CALIFORNIA, ALL THE WAY THROUGH DOWNTOWN L.A. AND
- 18 THROUGH THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. IMAGINE, FIRE DEPARTMENTS DO
- 19 NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES TO RESPOND TO A
- 20 CATASTROPHIC RAILROAD CAR DERAILMENT EXPLOSION NOR ADEQUATE
- 21 EMERGENCY PLANS. IMAGINE, AN EARTHQUAKE EASILY TRIGGERING SUCH
- 22 A DERAILMENT EXPLOSION. MY NIGHTMARE IS IF AN OIL TRAIN
- 23 DERAILS ON THE ROUTE THROUGH THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY DELTA OR
- 24 ALONG THE L.A. RIVER, WHICH IS UNDERGOING A \$1 BILLION



- 1 REVITALIZATION. WE JUST CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE OUR PRECIOUS
- 2 WATER TO A PREVENTABLE TRAGEDY.

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

- 6 SHERRY LEAR: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS SHERRY LEAR, AND I AM A CO-
- 7 ORGANIZER OF SOUTH BAY LOS ANGELES 350 CLIMATE ACTION GROUP.
- 8 I'M A RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. I'M A SOCCER MOM AND I OWN A
- 9 SMALL BUSINESS IN TORRANCE. I LIVE AND WORK IN AN AREA THAT
- 10 HOUSES MULTIPLE REFINERIES, FREEWAYS AND THE WORLD'S LARGEST
- 11 AND BUSIEST PORT. SAN PEDRO, LONG BEACH, WILMINGTON AND CARSON
- 12 ARE FRONTLINE COMMUNITIES WHICH ARE ALSO HOME TO SOME OF THE
- 13 DIRTIEST AIR IN THE UNITED STATES. RIGHT NOW THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 14 ANGELES IS ON THE PRECIPICE OF MOVING FORWARD WITH A PLAN FOR
- 15 COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION WHICH WILL PROVIDE A MUCH NEEDED
- 16 AND JUST TRANSITION TO AA 100 PERCENT CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY
- 17 WHILE CREATING THOUSANDS OF LOCAL JOBS. UNFORTUNATELY, THE
- 18 FOSSIL FUEL INDUSTRY WANTS TO PUSH AGAINST THIS MOVEMENT AND
- 19 PROMOTE THE EXPLOITATION OF THE DIRTIEST AND MOST DANGEROUS
- 20 FUELS KNOWN TO THIS PLANET. THIS INCLUDES SHIPPING HIGH SULFUR
- 21 CRUDES LIKE TAR SANDS AND HIGHLY EXPLOSIVE FUELS LIKE BAKKEN
- 22 SHALES BY RAIL AND OUTDATED RAIL CARS. ALREADY, OVER 35 CITIES
- 23 AND COUNTIES, INCLUDING THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, HAVE VOTED
- 24 FORMALLY TO OPPOSE THE PHILLIPS 66 CRUDE BY RAIL EXPANSION AND
- 25 I URGE YOU TO DO THE SAME. AND I THANK HILDA SOLIS AND SHEILA



- 1 KUEHL FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN BRINGING THIS ITEM TO THE FLOOR.
- 2 THIS CRUDE BY RAIL PROJECT IS SIMPLY A DISASTER WAITING TO
- 3 HAPPEN. THE PORTS OF LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH ARE
- 4 CRISSCROSSED WITH RAIL LINES WITHIN DENSELY POPULATED
- 5 COMMUNITIES. MY SON PLAYS SOCCER AT THE FIELD OF DREAMS IN SAN
- 6 PEDRO. WE LITERALLY HAVE TO CROSS A RAIL LINE TO GET TO THE
- 7 SOCCER FIELD. RIGHT ACROSS FROM THE SOCCER FIELD IS THE RANCHO
- 8 L.P.G. FACILITY WHICH HOUSES 25 MILLION GALLONS OF BUTANE. IF
- 9 THERE WAS A RAIL CAR ACCIDENT ON THIS LINE, OR FRANKLY ANY
- 10 WITHIN THE HARBOR, IT WOULD CAUSE UNTOLD DAMAGE, DEATHS AND
- 11 INJURY TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE AND BE DEVASTATING TO OUR LOCAL
- 12 ECONOMY. THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CAN SEND A CLEAR
- 13 MESSAGE WITH ITS VOTE. IT IS NEVER ACCEPTABLE TO RISK OUR
- 14 COMMUNITIES, OUR LIVELIHOODS AND OUR ENVIRONMENT BY ALLOWING
- 15 TOXIC AND VOLATILE BOMB TRAINS TO GO UP AND DOWN THE RAILROADS
- 16 WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 18 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] I JUST WANT TO
- 19 INFORM THE AUDIENCE. IF YOU ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH SOMEONE,
- 20 PLEASE REFRAIN FROM CLAPPING AND JUST RAISE YOUR HANDS, OKAY?
- 21 THAT'S A BETTER WAY TO SHOW YOU'RE SUPPORTING. THANK YOU.
- 22 OKAY. WE HAVE IRENE PANG, ITEM 28?

- 24 IRENE PANG: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME'S IRENE. I
- 25 CONCERNED ABOUT U.S. GOVERNMENT AND ITS CITIZENS NEED TO



- 1 CONFIRM OUR NATIONAL AUTHORITY AND POWER AND CONTINUOUSLY MAKE
- 2 THE EFFORT TO PROTECT THE NATIONAL SAFETY AND THE DEVELOPMENT
- 3 FIRST, THE GOVERNMENT SUPPORT AND ASSIST THE VICTIMS FROM ALL
- 4 KINDS THE REGULATION ATTACK. SECOND, [INAUDIBLE] THE CREDIT OF
- 5 MY FAMILY MEMBERS AND BUILD THEM FENCE, MEET THE POSITION
- 6 CONTINUOUSLY TO PROTECT OUR NATION AND ITS CITIZENS. THIRD, MY
- 7 SMALL HOUSE AND MY NEPHEW'S HOUSE THEY NEED TO SETTLE BY THE
- 8 LAW. NUMBER FOUR, ALL THE HUMAN BEINGS NEED TO PROTECT, OWN
- 9 THEIR PROPERTY AND THEIR RIGHT BY THE LAW. AND MAKE THEIR LAW
- 10 PEACEFUL AND THE BETTER LIVING FOR WHO ARE THE GOOD PERSONS IN
- 11 THE WORLD HUMAN BEING. THANK YOU.

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- 13 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE DR. GENEVIEVE
- 14 CLAVREUL WHO'S HELD ITEM 1, 3, 8, 13, 14, 21, 22 AND 44-E.
- 15 ERIC PREVEN, WHO'S HELD ITEM 1-P, 8, 12, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23,
- 16 24, 25, 29, 30, 32, 33, 35, 44-A, 44-D, 44-E AND C.S.-1.

- 18 ERIC PREVEN: GREETINGS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. IT'S ERIC
- 19 PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. AND 44 I BELIEVE IT'S E, IS A
- 20 MOTION TO CANCEL A MEETING IN AUGUST. NOW YOU CAN IMAGINE FOR
- 21 SOMEONE WHO FEELS THE NEED TO COMMENT ON A NUMBER OF ITEMS HOW
- 22 BY CANCELING A MEETING, YOU'RE GOING TO FRONT LOAD THE MEETING
- 23 THAT COMES BEFORE IT AND THE MEETING THAT COMES AFTER IT, AS
- 24 I'VE EXPLAINED TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND HE GIGGLES WITH
- 25 EXCITEMENT BECAUSE WHAT IT DOES IS, IT LIMITS PUBLIC COMMENT.



- 1 SO HOPEFULLY WE WON'T GO IN THAT DIRECTION. ITEM NO. C.S.-1 IS
- 2 ANOTHER LAWSUIT. IT IS CALLED UNITED STATES OF AMERICA VERSUS
- 3 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT DOES HAVE TO DO WITH THE MENTAL
- 4 HEALTH PIECE THAT WE HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING TO GET RIGHT IN OUR
- 5 JAILS. FORTUNATELY KATZ HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN THE AGENCY, AND
- 6 HOPEFULLY WE'RE GOING TO SEE SOME IMPROVEMENTS IN THE
- 7 PROVISION OF CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING IN THAT ENVIRONMENT. ITEM
- 8 35 IS ANOTHER LAWSUIT. THIS ONE HAS TO DO AGAIN WITH CIVIL
- 9 RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND ALLEGATIONS OF EXCESSIVE FORCE. IT
- 10 CAUGHT MY ATTENTION BECAUSE THERE'S A SUBSTANTIAL TYPO. THEY
- 11 GOT AN EXTRA 0 IN THERE. UNFORTUNATELY IT'S NOT THE RIGHT KIND
- 12 OF EXTRA 0 THAT MAKES THAT NUMBER GO DOWN. IT IS, \$2.8
- 13 MILLION, CONTRACT CITY SETTLEMENT. AND DALE GALLIPO, WHO
- 14 DESERVES OUR RESPECT AND SCRUTINY, IS INVOLVED. HE'S THE
- 15 ATTORNEY WHO CHASED THE COUNTY ON THIS ONE. I CAN'T SPEND MORE
- 16 TIME ON THE COUNTY LAWSUITS BECAUSE THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
- 17 THEM. ITEM 24 AND 25 ARE THE MARINA. I'LL JUST TAKE A QUICK
- 18 GLANCE. IT'S ED ZUCKER AT KILLER SHRIMP. HE'S GETTING A NIL
- 19 INCREASE ON THE RENT FOR THAT SET OF PARCELS OR WHATEVER. BUT
- 20 ANOTHER ITEM THAT KUEHL HELD, IT HAS TO DO WITH, I BELIEVE
- 21 IT'S 44-C OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT IS GLADSTONE'S FOR FISH. THAT
- 22 PLACE, IT'S A CLASSIC RIGHT AT THE CORNER OF SUNSET AND
- 23 P.C.H., IF I HAVE IT RIGHT. THE STATE IS NOT COOPERATING. AND
- 24 SHE'S PUTTING A LITTLE PRESSURE ON THEM TO GET WITH THE
- 25 PROGRAM SO WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH SOMETHING. AND I AM A



- 1 LITTLE NERVOUS ABOUT WHAT THAT WOULD BE. WE SHOULD BE
- 2 BENCHMARKING. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE RATES THAT KILLER
- 3 SHRIMP IS PAYING ON ITEM 24. I ASKED GARY JONES ABOUT THAT.
- 4 ITEM 23 IS PROSTHETIC BUSINESS AND ORTHOTICS WHICH IS
- 5 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. RANCHO IS A LEADER. I THINK TEAGUE IS
- 6 INVOLVED, BUT I DIDN'T SEE THEIR NAME IN THERE. MAYBE THEY OWN
- 7 ONE OF THOSE COMPANIES. THIS IS PROVIDING THE SERVICES. ITEM
- 8 NO. 21, TITLE 10, X ROMAN NUMERAL I BELIEVE IT'S 10, IS S.T.D.
- 9 AND CONTRACEPTION. I ALWAYS WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET GOOD
- 10 SERVICE AND STAY IN THE ZONE OF PROVIDING SERVICES AS OPPOSED
- 11 TO EXCESSIVE IDEATION. ITEM NO. 18 MAKES ME MISS SALADINO AND
- 12 I KNOW YOU FEEL THE SAME WAY, SIR. THIS IS THE TAX DEFAULTED
- 13 PROPERTY LIST. THERE ARE I BELIEVE IT'S 96 PAGES. EACH HAS
- 14 ABOUT 20 SNAZZY LOOKING PROPERTIES. THEY ARE GOING ON THE
- 15 MARKET, HAMAI, IN OCTOBER OF 2016. SO LET'S LOOK CLOSELY AND
- 16 SEE IF WE CAN GET SOME BUYERS THERE. ITEM 16, THE MAYOR,
- 17 LANCASTER ANIMAL HOSPITAL, ONCE AGAIN 209,000, PA-PLINK OVER
- 18 THERE. NO PROBLEM WITH THAT, EXCEPT FOR WHEN I SEE 209,000, MY
- 19 EYES NARROW AND I REMEMBER THE TRANSFER FEE FROM THOSE GUYS,
- 20 WESLEY EDENS, PARTNER OF SCOTT WALKER, IT'S DRIVING ME CRAZY
- 21 ALREADY, FOR THOSE GOLF COURSE CONTRACTS THAT WERE EXPOSED IN
- 22 THE NEW YORK TIMES. BIG, BIG PROBLEM FOR ME. ITEM NO.-- I'M
- 23 NOT GOING GET THERE-- 1-D IS THE VERMONT CORRIDOR, SIR. THERE
- 24 ARE GOING TO BE SOME PEOPLE WHO WILL LET YOU KNOW THAT
- 25 TRANSPARENCY IS WHAT IS EXPECTED FROM THAT KIND OF A PROJECT,



- 1 WHICH IS EXCITING. TWO OF THE BIG LEASE RENTALS. THANK YOU
- 2 VERY MUCH.

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- 4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK
- 5 YOU VERY MUCH.

- 7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 8 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. OF COURSE, IT WAS TOO MANY ITEMS TO
- 9 REALLY GIVE YOU THE APPROPRIATE INFORMATION WE SHOULD GIVE. ON
- 10 ITEM 1 IS MY USUAL COMPLAINT ABOUT THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V.
- 11 NOT ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOMINATED BUT THE PROCESS. THOSE
- 12 PEOPLE ARE EITHER H.I.V. POSITIVE, OR PROVIDING CARE FOR
- 13 H.I.V. MANY OF THE ITEMS INCLUDING TODAY'S 2 ITEMS WHERE THE
- 14 COMMISSION ALLOCATED MONEY, THAT'S REALLY A HUGE CONFLICT OF
- 15 INTEREST. IT SHOULD BE SOME NEUTRAL THIRD PARTY IN THAT
- 16 COMMISSION. ON ITEM 3, I'M TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF THAT ITEM.
- 17 AND I AM GLAD TO SEE MORE AND MORE ACTION NOT TO SEND THE
- 18 FOSTER KIDS TO THE WOLF WHEN IT BECOMES OLD ENOUGH. BECAUSE I
- 19 THINK A LOT OF THE HOMELESS WE ARE GETTING ARE BECAUSE WE HAVE
- 20 LEFT THOSE FOSTER CHILDREN WITH NO CARE AND SO ON. SO I'D LIKE
- 21 TO PUT SOME EMPHASIS ON THAT. ON ITEM 8, ABOUT THE SOUTH EL
- 22 MONTE CORRUPTION ISSUE, I AM VERY GLAD YOU ARE LOOKING AT
- 23 THIS, BUT AT THE SAME TIME I THINK IT SHOULD BE THE SAME
- 24 ENERGY TO LOOK AT THE MANY OF THE SOLE VENDOR CONTRACTS WHO
- 25 ARE REALLY TO THE LIMIT OF FRAUD AND MALFEASANCE. AND WE ARE



- 1 HAVING TOO MANY SOLE VENDOR CONTRACTS TO BE THE RIGHT THING TO
- 2 DO. SO I REALLY WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO PUT SOME ENERGY TO
- 3 PREVENT THE SOLE VENDOR ITEMS. ON ITEM 13 ABOUT RANCHO LOS
- 4 AMIGOS, I AM VERY GLAD TO SEE THAT WE ARE GOING TO PUT SOME
- 5 MONEY TO PUT THAT PLACE UP TO PAR. AND ON ITEM 14, AGAIN
- 6 THAT'S ANOTHER WONDERFUL SOLE VENDOR CONTRACT, WHICH I'M
- 7 TOTALLY ALLERGIC TO. AND ON ITEM 44-B, I WILL COME BACK
- 8 BECAUSE MR. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS HELD IT. ON ITEM 21 AND 22,
- 9 AGAIN HAVING TO DO WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, WHICH IS
- 10 REALLY FALLING APART. AND THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM WAS REMOVED
- 11 FROM TODAY, WHICH WAS ITEM 20. AND I AM VERY CONCERNED WHEN I
- 12 SEE SOME KEY ISSUES HAVING TO DO WITH D.H.S. PUSHED BACK
- 13 ALWAYS MANY WEEKS AFTER. AND WE NEED TO START TO NOT ACCEPT
- 14 THAT. I THINK WE ARE GOING TO HAVE SOME MAJOR, MAJOR ISSUES,
- 15 AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL LOOK AT THEM. ANYWAY, I WILL COME
- 16 BACK FOR 44-B. THANK YOU.

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- 18 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS HELD
- 19 ITEM 1-P, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 22 AND C.S.-3.

- 21 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I
- 22 DID HOLD ITEM 1-P, THE PARKS AND OPEN SPACE MINUTES ARE
- 23 AVAILABLE. ARE THE AGENDAS AVAILABLE? IS THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 24 PARKS AND RECREATION AGENDA AVAILABLE? YOU KNOW, I GOT A FLIER
- 25 WHEN I MOVED INTO MY NEW APARTMENT REGARDING LEAD PAINT IN



- 1 HOMES FROM 1985. AND YET YOUR NEEDS ASSESSMENT PROGRAM THAT
- 2 YOU DID REPORTED LEAD PAINT ON PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. A FEW
- 3 MONTHS AGO YOU SPENT \$13 MILLION OR \$14 MILLION ON THE NORWALK
- 4 GOLF COURSE. HOW MUCH MONEY HAVE YOU PUT INTO PAINTING
- 5 PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, ELIMINATING THE LEAD PAINT? PROBABLY
- 6 ZERO. I HELD ITEM NO. 4 AND 10 IN REGARD TO PARKING. IN MALIBU
- 7 IT'S \$700 WERE WAIVED OVER FOUR DAYS, IT COMES TO \$175 A DAY.
- 8 IN WHITTIER NARROWS, \$600 IN PARKING FEES WERE WAIVED OVER TWO
- 9 DAYS, WHICH IS \$300 A DAY. WHY THE DIFFERENTIAL IN PARKING
- 10 FEES? ON THE BEACHSIDE IT'S \$175 A DAY AND IN INLAND AREAS
- 11 IT'S \$300 A DAY. THAT'S \$125 DIFFERENCE. IMAGINE THOSE FEES
- 12 PEOPLE PAYING. I HELD ITEM 6 AND 20 KIND OF LIKE REFERRED THEM
- 13 TOGETHER. THE MINIMUM WAGE AND MIKE ANTONOVICH'S CONCERN AND
- 14 THE PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICE COUNCIL, S.E.I.U. AND THIS IS
- 15 FASCINATING. THIS IS A STORY REGARDING THE PERSONAL ASSISTANCE
- 16 SERVICE COUNCIL OF LAFONZA BUTLER. THIS IS ANOTHER STORY THAT
- 17 MENTIONS THE PAY RAISE THAT THE UNION, S.E.I.U. SIGNED, THE
- 18 55,000 UNION MEMBERS SIGNED A PAY INCREASE A COUPLE OF MONTHS
- 19 AGO. BUT THIS IS ANOTHER STORY FROM 6/11/15, EACH YEAR 140,000
- 20 IN HOME CARE WORKERS, APPROXIMATELY 100,000 OF THEM, TAKE CARE
- 21 OF APPROXIMATELY 160,000 WORKERS IN L.A. WELL, IF IN-HOME CARE
- 22 WORKERS ARE PART OF THE UNION, THEN YOU WOULDN'T HAVE 100,000
- 23 UNION EMPLOYEES IN THE COUNTY, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE 55,000
- 24 MEMBERS OF S.E.I.U. IT'S YET AGAIN THE COUNTY STEPPING UP TO
- 25 DROP THE FLOOR OUT OF THE BOTTOM OF THE BUILDING. YET AGAIN



- 1 THE COUNTY'S DOING ITS BEST. YOU HAVE TO READ BETWEEN THE
- 2 LINES HERE AND KNOW THAT IT'S THE SERVICE COUNCILMEMBERS THAT
- 3 ARE MEMBERS OF THE S.E.I.U. THE PEOPLE THEY OVERSEE CAN DROP
- 4 DEAD, THEY DON'T CARE. OH, AND BY THE WAY, I WENT TO SUBWAY
- 5 TODAY. THERE IS \$5 SPECIAL WEEKLY SANDWICH THAT THEY HAVE
- 6 EVERY DAY NOW COSTS \$6. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE INCREASE.
- 7 I'M SURE, AND I DIDN'T GET A PAY RAISE TO COVER THAT DOLLAR
- 8 INCREASE. I'M WONDERING HOW MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE ABOVE THE
- 9 MINIMUM WAGE GOT A COST OF LIVING INCREASE TO COVER ALL THOSE
- 10 WAGES. WE DON'T KNOW. AND THE IMPROPER AUDITS? MAYBE YOU COULD
- 11 GET VOMIT ED REYES TO HELP OUT. SI, SI PUTO. YES WE CAN.

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- 13 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THE FOLLOWING SPEAKERS HAVE HELD
- 14 THESE ITEMS. ITEM 32, MATRICE STANLEY. SHERINNE HILL. DWAYNE
- 15 HILL, ANTOINETTE BROWN, DAWN MODKINS, MARK ANTHONY JOHNSON,
- 16 AND JANAYA KAHN, ALL HAVE HELD ITEM 32. IF YOU CAN COME
- 17 FORWARD, PLEASE? YOU CAN COME UP RIGHT HERE IN THE FRONT. IF
- 18 EACH IF YOU COULD WHEN YOU GET SEATED, JUST STATE YOUR NAME
- 19 FOR THE RECORD AND BE AFFORDED TWO MINUTES. CAN YOU PLEASE
- 20 STATE YOUR NAME WHO'S GOING TO SPEAK FIRST?

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22 DWAYNE HILL: MY NAME IS DWAYNE HILL.

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24 BRIAN DUNN: MY NAME IS BRIAN DUNN.



- 1 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT'S FINE. JUST GO AHEAD AND SPEAK.
- 2 THANK YOU.

- 4 DWAYNE HILL: SO TODAY WE'RE HERE ON BEHALF OF DONNELL
- 5 THOMPSON, JR., WHICH IS MY LITTLE BROTHER. BACK IN JULY THE
- 6 28TH, WHICH IS A THURSDAY, HE WAS SHOT AND KILLED BY THE LOS
- 7 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. UP TO THAT POINT, WE
- 8 HAVEN'T REALLY HAD ANSWERS ON WHAT HAPPENED. ONLY WHAT WE
- 9 HEARD ON THE NEWS. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HASN'T SPOKEN TO ANY
- 10 OF THE FAMILY MEMBERS. WHAT WE PRETTY MUCH DEMAND IS OUR
- 11 BROTHER'S NAME BEING CLEARED FROM WHAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- 12 IS SAYING TODAY, WHICH WE LEARNED, AND FROM WHAT WE ALREADY
- 13 KNOW BECAUSE WE KNOW OUR BROTHER, IS THAT THEY PRETTY MUCH
- 14 SHOT AND KILLED HIM UNJUST. I'LL GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT
- 15 MY BROTHER. HE WAS KIND, SWEET PERSON. AND I KNOW YOU PROBABLY
- 16 HEAR THIS ALL THE TIME ABOUT PERSONS WHO GET KILLED, BUT MY
- 17 BROTHER'S THE KIND, SWEET PERSON. REAL QUIET. NEVER HARM
- 18 ANYBODY. NEVER BEEN IN JAIL. HE JUST WAS AT THE WRONG PLACE AT
- 19 THE WRONG TIME AND WAS MISTOOKEN FOR SOMEBODY ELSE OR
- 20 SOMETHING IN THAT CASE. I REALLY CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT WAS IN
- 21 THE MIND OF THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. BUT HE WAS
- 22 KILLED UNJUST. HE WAS TOOKEN FROM ME AND MY FAMILY UNJUST TOO
- 23 OUICKLY. AND WE DEMAND ANSWERS, YOU KNOW. FROM WHAT THE
- 24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS SAYING IS HE WAS PART OF A CARJACKING,
- 25 WHICH THEY DON'T EVEN TELL ME HE WASN'T, THEY DON'T NEED TO



- 1 COME TELL ME HE WASN'T. I KNOW MY BROTHER, I KNOW HE WASN'T.
- 2 FROM WHAT WE'RE HEARING TODAY AND WHAT WE LEARNED TODAY IS
- 3 THEY DON'T HAVE PROOF THAT HE WAS. SO THAT PRETTY MUCH TELLING
- 4 ME THAT MY BROTHER WAS KILLED UNJUST. THERE'S NOTHING ELSE
- 5 THEY COULD TELL ME. HE WAS UNARMED. NO WEAPON. THERE'S NOTHING
- 6 ELSE THEY COULD TELL ME TO SAY THAT THEY KILLED MY BROTHER. 28
- 7 YEARS OLD. JUST WRONG PLACE, WRONG TIME. AND THEIR JOB IS TO
- 8 PROTECT US. SO I DON'T SEE THAT PROTECTION WHERE THEY ARE
- 9 KILLING SOMEBODY THAT'S UNARMED.

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11 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR.

- 13 BRIAN DUNN: BRIEFLY, I'M BRIAN DUNN. I'M THE ATTORNEY FOR THE
- 14 FAMILY. WHAT THE FAMILY WANTS AT THIS TIME MORE THAN ANYTHING
- 15 ELSE IS TRANSPARENCY IN THE INVESTIGATION. WE ARE GOING
- 16 THROUGH THE PROCESS OF GRIEVING, AND THAT GRIEF IS MADE WORSE
- 17 BY THE LACK OF SPECIFIC KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING EXACTLY WHAT
- 18 HAPPENED IN THE LAST MOMENTS OF THIS YOUNG MAN'S LIFE. MORE
- 19 THAN ANYTHING, THE PEOPLE AT THIS TABLE AND THE PEOPLE THAT
- 20 ARE REPRESENTING MR. THOMPSON AND HIS FAMILY MEMBERS WANT THIS
- 21 TO NOT HAPPEN TO SOMEONE ELSE. THAT IS MORE THAN ANYTHING WHAT
- 22 THIS FAMILY WANTS. WE WANT TO KEEP ANOTHER FAMILY FROM HAVING
- 23 TO GO THROUGH WHAT WE'RE GOING THROUGH. AND ANYTHING THAT YOU
- 24 CAN DO IN THAT REGARD IN THE WAY OF TRAINING, IN THE WAY OF
- 25 DEMONSTRATING THAT WHATEVER HAPPENED ON THAT DAY WILL NOT



- 1 HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE, WILL GO A LONG WAY TOWARDS MENDING THE
- 2 GRIEF, OR MENDING THE BROKEN BOND BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND
- 3 THIS FAMILY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. THANK YOU.

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5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MA'AM.

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- 7 SHERINNE HILL: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SHERINNE HILL. DONNELL
- 8 THOMPSON WAS MY BROTHER-IN-LAW AND I'M HERE WITH MY FAMILY
- 9 BECAUSE, AS MY HUSBAND STATED AND AS MR. DUNN HAS STATED, WE
- 10 WANT ANSWERS TO WHY DEADLY FORCE WAS USED AGAINST SOMEONE WHO
- 11 WAS UNARMED, WHO HAD ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH A
- 12 CARJACKING SITUATION. AND FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND, HE WAS SHOT
- 13 MULTIPLE TIMES. THE WAY I LEARNED ABOUT THIS SHOOTING WAS ON
- 14 THE NEWS. THAT S.W.A.T. TANKS APPROACHED HIM WHERE HE WAS
- 15 KILLED. AND WE DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW A SPECIALIZED TASKFORCE
- 16 SUCH AS S.W.A.T. WOULD BE NEGLECT IN SHOOTING AND KILLING
- 17 SOMEONE WHO IS UNARMED AND NOT A THREAT. SO WE JUST WANT
- 18 ANSWERS AS TO WHY? WE WOULD HOPE THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 19 SHERIFF AND THAT THIS BOARD WOULD REVISE OR CONSIDER SOME
- 20 CHANGES TO THEIR POLICIES SO THAT THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN TO
- 21 ANOTHER FAMILY, SO THAT THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN TO ANOTHER
- 22 INNOCENT PERSON. THANK YOU.

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24 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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### The Meeting Transcript of The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors



- 1 ANTOINETTE BROWN: HI. I'M ANTOINETTE BROWN AND I'M HERE ON
- 2 BEHALF OF MY BROTHER, DONNELL THOMPSON. MY LITTLE BROTHER WAS
- 3 INNOCENT. IT HURTS ME TO MY HEART TO REALLY JUST IMAGINE HOW
- 4 HE WAS JUST WRONGFULLY KILLED THAT NIGHT ON JULY THE 28TH. I
- 5 JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND, AND I WANT ANSWERS. ME AND MY FAMILY
- 6 WANT ANSWERS. WE WANT JUSTICE FOR MY LITTLE BROTHER, BECAUSE
- 7 THAT WAS REALLY, REALLY WRONG. MY MOTHER PASSED AWAY DECEMBER
- 8 1ST AND WE ARE GRIEVING FROM MY MOTHER'S DEATH. AND NOW WE'RE
- 9 GRIEVING FOR MY LITTLE BROTHER. SO, PLEASE, CAN YOU GIVE OUR
- 10 FAMILY JUSTICE, FOR MY BROTHER DONNELL THOMPSON? THANK YOU.

12 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, MA'AM.

14 MATRICE STANLEY: HI, MY NAME IS MATRICE STANLEY. I'M THE

- 15 OLDEST SISTER OF DONNELL THOMPSON, ALSO KNOWN AS BO PEEP. HE
- 16 WAS APPROACHED BY THE SHERIFF'S S.W.A.T. UNARMED, KILLED AND
- 17 LAID FOR HOURS BEFORE I FOUND THAT MY BROTHER WAS DEAD. THIS
- 18 IS UNJUSTIFIABLE. MY BROTHER WAS DISHUMANNIZED, DEVALUED. HE
- 19 WAS SPOKE TO THROUGH THE PRESS RELEASE THAT HE WAS A CRIMINAL,
- 20 A SECOND SUSPECT, A CARJACKER, A THIEF AND HE RAN FROM COPS.
- 21 NO CARE WAS GIVEN TO MY BROTHER FOR HOURS AS HE LAID DEAD IN A
- 22 DRIVEWAY. THIS IS NOT OKAY. I WOULDN'T TREAT AN ANIMAL THIS
- 23 BAD. SO HOW IS THIS JUSTIFIABLE FOR SOMEONE TO KILL MY
- 24 BROTHER? WE NEED ANSWERS. THIS BOARD HAS RIGHTS AND AUTHORITY
- 25 TO MAKE THESE PEOPLE PAY. AND JUST TO FIND OUT THIS MORNING



- 1 THAT THE PERSON THAT THEY HOLD RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS IS ON PAID
- 2 DESK DUTY? IS MY BROTHER ON PAID DESK DUTY? HE'S DEAD. HE
- 3 SHOULD BE FIRED. HE SHOULD LOSE HIS PENSION. HE SHOULD KNOW
- 4 HOW I FEEL. NOTHING YOU GUYS CAN DO WILL BRING MY BROTHER
- 5 BACK. I DEMAND A PUBLIC APOLOGY LIKE YOU PUT IN THE PAPER, ALL
- 6 THESE BAD THINGS ABOUT HIM, DID ANYONE COME TO ME AND SAY WHO
- 7 HE WAS? I HAVEN'T BEEN APPROACHED BY NO ONE. SO I WANT JUSTICE
- 8 FOR MY BROTHER. BO PEEP. HE WAS A KINDHEARTED, SOFT-SPOKEN
- 9 PERSON. HE WOULD NOT HARM A FLEA. SO MY TIME EXPIRED, LET ME
- 10 SAY THIS. WHEN YOU KILL MY BROTHER, YOU KILLED ME. AND IT'S NO
- 11 WAY TO BRING MY SPIRITS BACK TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE PUBLIC.
- 12 I AM A VERY PUBLIC FIGURE. I TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE. I AM A
- 13 CAREGIVER. SO I WANT SOME CARE, APPROACH AND GIVEN TO MY
- 14 BROTHER. AND BY THE WAY, BLACK LIVES MATTER.

- 16 LARMAR IRVIN AVILA: HELLO, MY NAME IS LARMAR IRVIN AVILA.
- 17 DONNELL WAS MY COUSIN. I SEE SO MANY FACES HERE. IF YOU GUYS
- 18 WOULD OPEN YOUR MINDS AND SEE WHAT HAS HAPPENED, YOU WOULD
- 19 UNDERSTAND, REALLY UNDERSTAND. SO THE SMIRKS, THE EYES, THE
- 20 GESTURES, REALLY LOOK AT WHAT'S AT HAND. LOOK AT WHAT'S AT
- 21 HAND. MY PARENTS, BEEN MARRIED OVER 20 YEARS, HAVE 7 KIDS, 6
- 22 BOYS, ONE GIRL. MY PARENTS ARE TERRIFIED FOR OUR LIVES RIGHT
- 23 NOW. MY PARENTS STAY UP EVERY NIGHT WONDERING, ARE THEIR KIDS
- 24 GOING TO BE OKAY? AND WE'RE ALL OUT THE HOUSE. WE'RE GROWN
- 25 ADULTS WITH JOBS, SCHOOL, KIDS, CARS. THEY'RE SCARED.



- 1 SOMETHING LIKE THIS MAY HAPPEN TO ONE OF THEIR KIDS. MY
- 2 COUSIN, WHO I BONDED WITH, WHO I LOVE, I'M AN EMOTIONAL WRECK
- 3 BECAUSE I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENED. YOU WOULDN'T THINK
- 4 THIS WOULD HAPPEN TO YOU AND IT HAS HAPPENED. I'M HURTING. I'M
- 5 HURTING. EVERY DAY. I WORK FOR LONG BEACH WILSON. HIGH SCHOOL,
- 6 THE FOOTBALL TEAM. I'M THE STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING COACH. I
- 7 HAD TO SIT IN FOR MY FOOTBALL PLAYERS AND APOLOGIZE. I COULD
- 8 NOT BE THERE BECAUSE I WAS AN EMOTIONAL WRECK. I HAD TO TAKE
- 9 TIME OFF. I WORK FOR LONG BEACH CITY PARKS RECREATION AND
- 10 MARINE. THEY SENT ME HOME BECAUSE I WAS AN EMOTIONAL WRECK. I
- 11 SEE THESE KIDS PLAYING AROUND AND DOING THINGS. I'M AN
- 12 EMOTIONAL WRECK BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANSWERS. I DON'T KNOW. WE
- 13 DON'T AND WE'RE TRYING TO UNDERSTAND. HELP US UNDERSTAND. THE
- 14 WAY THAT YOU GUYS GIVE US THIS PASSIONATE SPEECH ABOUT THE
- 15 THINGS YOU GUYS BELIEVE IN AND YOU GUYS ARE TRYING TO PASS IT
- 16 THROUGH THE NET. WE'RE GIVING THAT RIGHT NOW. RIGHT? THE
- 17 PASSION YOU HAVE, SHOW US THAT PASSION BECAUSE WE'RE
- 18 PASSIONATE. IT IS VERY SIMPLE, BECAUSE WE'RE ALL THE SAME.
- 19 THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE. THERE'S DIFFERENT JOB TITLES. USE YOUR
- 20 POWER. LET ME SEE IT. MAKE ME A BELIEVER. I'M HERE. I'M DOWN
- 21 HERE. YOU GOT ME HERE. FOR MY COUSIN. FOR MY COUSIN. GUESS
- 22 WHAT? IT COULD BE ANY ONE OF YOU GUYS, YOUR SIBLINGS, YOUR
- 23 DAUGHTER, YOUR SON, WHITE, BLACK, MEXICAN, ASIAN, DOESN'T
- 24 MATTER. IT DOESN'T MATTER. IT COULD BE ONE OF YOU GUYS. WHAT
- 25 WOULD YOU DO? HOW WOULD YOU ACT? WHAT WOULD YOU THINK? IF YOU



- 1 DIDN'T HAVE ANSWERS? YOU LET ME KNOW BECAUSE I'M CURIOUS. I'M
- 2 CURIOUS.

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. YES, MA'AM?

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- 6 SPEAKER: TODAY IS AUGUST 9TH. TODAY MARKS THE TWO-YEAR
- 7 ANNIVERSARY OF MICHAEL BROWN, WHO ALSO LAID IN THE STREET IN
- 8 THE HEAT FOR HOURS, DEHUMANIZED, CRIMINALIZED. WHEN
- 9 INVESTIGATIONS GO ON, THEY CAN'T RELEASE THE INFORMATION,
- 10 UNLESS IT BENEFITS THEM. LIKE THE VIDEO THAT CAME OUT ABOUT
- 11 MICHAEL BROWN STEALING CIGARS, RIGHT? THEY RELEASED PICTURES
- 12 OF A SCRATCH ON TOP OF A POLICE CAR SAYING THAT WHOEVER THIS
- 13 OTHER PERSON WAS WHO SUPPOSEDLY RAN FROM THEM, SHOT AT THEM
- 14 AND LATER TURNED DONNELL, A.K.A. BO PEEP IS HIS NAME. I INVITE
- 15 YOU ALL TO SAY HIS NAME, AS A MATTER OF FACT, SAY HIS NAME,
- 16 SOMEONE, SAY HIS NAME

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18 **SPEAKERS:** BO PEEP.

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20 SPEAKER: SAY HIS NAME.

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22 **SPEAKERS:** BO PEEP.

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24 SPEAKER: SAY HIS NAME.



1 SPEAKERS: BO PEEP.

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- 3 SPEAKER: HE WAS CRIMINALIZED, RIGHT? TODAY IS THAT
- 4 ANNIVERSARY. WHAT HAS CHANGED? YOU ALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY AS
- 5 SUPERVISORS WHO HAVE SOME DISCRETION OVER COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT,
- 6 OVER CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT, OVER THE BUDGETS, OVER SOME PRESSURE
- 7 FOR WHAT THE FAMILY IS ASKING YOU ALL HERE FOR TODAY, IN
- 8 ADDITION TO THOSE APOLOGIES. WE'RE SPENDING MILLIONS, IF NOT
- 9 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN CLEANING UP THEIR DIRTY WORK FROM THE
- 10 PAYOUTS THAT OUR LOCAL POLICE AND SHERIFF ARE SPENDING
- 11 RECKLESSLY. YET THEY WANT TO IMPLEMENT MORE TAXES, I'LL USE
- 12 LONG BEACH AS AN EXAMPLE, MEASURE 8, THEY JUST GOT MONEY FOR
- 13 POLICE. THEY WANT TO PRESS FOR MARIJUANA TAXES TO GO TOWARDS
- 14 POLICE. YET THEY JUST SPENT \$3 MILLION PAYING OUT THE TYLER
- 15 WOODS FAMILY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, RIGHT? PAYING OUT THE
- 16 TYLER WOODS FAMILY. HALF OF THAT BUDGET CAME FROM YOU ALL.
- 17 Y'ALL WANT TO KEEP PAYING OFF FAMILIES WITH SHERIFF AND POLICE
- 18 DIRTY MONEY? YOU ALL HAVE SOME RESPONSIBILITY AND ABILITY TO
- 19 DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT. WE PRESS YOU, WE URGE YOU TO ACT. SET
- 20 A PRECEDENCE IN THIS COUNTRY. THESE ARE NOT ISOLATED
- 21 INCIDENCES. YOU ALL HAVE THE WHEREWITHAL TO MAKE SOME THINGS
- 22 HAPPEN. PLEASE. YOU HEARD THEM TODAY. THE SHERIFF HAVE
- 23 ADMITTED THEIR GUILT. ACT.

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25 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER.



- 2 MARK ANTHONY JOHNSON: GOOD MORNING. MARK ANTHONY JOHNSON WITH
- 3 DIGNITY AND POWER NOW AND THE COALITION TO END SHERIFF
- 4 VIOLENCE. WE'RE HERE WITH THE FAMILIES OF DONNELL THOMPSON,
- 5 JR. WE'RE HERE WITH BO PEEP, CALLING HIS NAME INTO THE SPACE
- 6 BECAUSE TWO YEARS AFTER MIKE BROWN, WE'RE STILL IN THIS
- 7 SITUATION WHERE OUR FOLKS ARE LOSING THEIR LIVES, FOLKS WITH
- 8 DISABILITIES, FOLKS WHOSE FAMILIES AND FRIENDS ARE STILL NOT
- 9 GETTING ANSWERS. WE'RE HERE BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN PUSHING FOR
- 10 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT. AND WE ARE AT A MOMENT WHERE THIS COUNTY
- 11 IS CURRENTLY VETTING OVERSIGHT APPLICANTS AND WE'RE DEMANDING
- 12 THAT REAL REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING THE COALITION TO END
- 13 SHERIFF VIOLENCE SLATE OF FOLKS WHO ARE HERE STANDING WITH THE
- 14 FAMILIES, TO REALLY DEMAND JUSTICE. FOLKS LIKE PATRICE
- 15 CULLORS. FOLKS LIKE GREG AKILI. FOLKS LIKE MICHELLE INFANTE.
- 16 FOLKS LIKE STEVE ROGERS. FOLKS LIKE LLOYD WILKIE. FOLKS LIKE
- 17 RABBI HEATHER MILLER. THESE ARE THE FOLKS WHO HAVE BEEN DOING
- 18 THIS WORK IN THE COMMUNITY AND STAND WITH FAMILIES AND STAND
- 19 WITH BO PEEP TODAY TO REALLY MAKE SURE THAT IN THE LONG TERM
- 20 WHEN THESE THINGS HAPPEN, THEY HAVE A PLACE TO GO BECAUSE
- 21 THEY'RE NOT GETTING ANSWERS. THEY HAVE A PLACE TO GO TO KNOW
- 22 THAT FOLKS ARE REPRESENTING THEM, RIGHT? WE'RE ALSO MAKING
- 23 SURE THAT WE DO NOT LOSE SIGHT THAT REAL OVERSIGHT INCLUDES
- 24 REAL POWER, RIGHT? FOLKS WHO ARE COMING TO YOU TODAY, THEY
- 25 DON'T JUST WANT A RUBBER STAMP, THEY WANT REAL ANSWERS. THEY



- 1 WANT TO BE ABLE TO GET INFORMATION. THAT MEANS SUBPOENA POWER.
- 2 AND IF WE'RE GOING TO BE SERIOUS ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY, WE HAVE
- 3 TO MOVE TOWARDS THAT AND BE COURAGEOUS TOWARDS THAT. WE HAVE A
- 4 NEW SHERIFF, YES, THAT IS TRUE. BUT WE'RE STILL SEEING RACIST
- 5 EMAILS. WE'RE STILL SEEING CONDUCT, SEXUAL ASSAULT MISCONDUCT.
- 6 WE GO TO THE JAILS EVERY WEEKEND AND TALK TO FOLKS WHO ARE
- 7 CONTINUING TO HEAR THE TYPES OF ABUSES THAT ARE CONTINUING TO
- 8 HAPPEN TO THE LOVED ONES INSIDE AND ON THE PATROL SIDE. AND
- 9 THIS IS ONE EXAMPLE. AND WE WANT STRONG CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
- 10 THAT HAS REAL POWER SO THAT FOLKS, LIKE BO PEEP AND THEIR
- 11 FAMILIES, CAN GET REAL ANSWERS WHEN THESE THINGS HAPPEN.

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- 13 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. GO AHEAD,
- 14 MA'AM.

- 16 DANIELLE MOORE: MY NAME IS DANIELLE MOORE AND I'M SPEAKING TO
- 17 YOU AS A FRIEND OF BO PEEP. I WENT TO EL CAMINO COMPTON CENTER
- 18 WITH HIM FOR ABOUT THREE YEARS. I KNOW YOU GUYS HAVE HEARD A
- 19 LOT OF, YOU KNOW, ANGER, WITHIN THE VOICE, BUT I'M SPEAKING TO
- 20 YOU WITH PATIENCE AND DILIGENCE. A LOT OF THE FAMILY MEMBERS
- 21 DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO STOMACH WHAT THEY'RE GOING THROUGH
- 22 RIGHT NOW. AND YOU CAN'T EXPECT THEM TO. BUT I DO ASK YOU GUYS
- 23 TO BE COURTEOUS AND TO SHOW EYE CONTACT BECAUSE I HAVEN'T BEEN
- 24 SEEING ANY EYE CONTACT. AND WE'RE PLEADING TO YOU. WE'RE
- 25 SPEAKING TO YOU AS A GROUP. AND WE REALLY WANT TO BE HEARD.



- 1 AND YOU'RE NOT GIVING THAT RESPECT OF HEARING US OUT. BO PEEP
- 2 WAS AN EXCELLENT, EXCELLENT INDIVIDUAL. EVERY TIME I CAME
- 3 THROUGH THE STUDENT LOUNGE, HE ALWAYS WAS THERE SMILING,
- 4 HAPPY. HE JUST HAD THIS PRESENCE ABOUT HIM THAT YOU COULDN'T
- 5 MISS. BUT HE WAS VERY, VERY QUIET. SO FOR HIM TO, YOU KNOW, BE
- 6 APPROACHED BY ALL THESE BIG BAD GUYS AND GUNS AND STUFF LIKE
- 7 THIS, OF COURSE HE'S GOING TO BE SHOCKED AND HE'S GOING SCARED
- 8 AND IT CAUSED HIM TO, YOU KNOW, COIL INSIDE BECAUSE THAT'S THE
- 9 PERSON HE WAS. BUT NO ONE TOOK THE TIME OUT TO TALK TO HIM, TO
- 10 ASK HIM HIS NAME, TO ASK HIM HOW HIS DAY WAS OR ANYTHING LIKE
- 11 THAT. THEY CAME WITH FORCE AGAINST HIM, AND HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW
- 12 TO REACT SO HE REACTED AS BEST AS HE COULD. I'VE BEEN-- LIKE I
- 13 SAID, I WAS WITH HIM FOR THREE YEARS AND HE EVEN CAME TO MY
- 14 GRADUATION AND HE ENCOURAGED ME. HE SAID, "CONGRATULATIONS,
- 15 YOU DID IT. YOU'RE HERE AFTER ME, YOU DID IT BEFORE ME. BUT
- 16 MAKE SURE YOU TAKE YOUR TIME." HE WAS SUCH A GENEROUS PERSON.
- 17 EVERY TIME I WAS HUNGRY, HE WOULD GO OUT OF HIS WAY-- BECAUSE
- 18 I WOULD TAKE CLASSES BACK-TO-BACK TO BACK, HE WOULD GO GET US
- 19 FOOD, DO ANYTHING WE ASKED HIM TO. ALL WE DID WAS PLAY UNO.
- 20 ALL WE DID ALL DAY LONG, PRETTY MUCH, WE WOULD SIT THERE AND
- 21 PLAY UNO. HE WOULD ALWAYS WIN. BUT SOMETIMES WE'LL FIND A WAY
- 22 TO CHEAT HIM OUT OF HIS GAME. BUT HE WAS JUST SUCH A GENUINE
- 23 INDIVIDUAL. HE WAS JUST SO QUIET. PEOPLE WOULD MISTAKE HIS
- 24 QUIETNESS FOR AWKWARDNESS. HE REALLY WASN'T. YOU JUST HAD TO
- 25 TAKE THE TIME OUT TO UNDERSTAND HIS POINT OF VIEW AND HOW HE

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- 1 UNDERSTOOD THINGS AND NO ONE ACTUALLY, YOU KNOW, GAVE HIM THE
- 2 OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT HIMSELF. NO ONE GAVE HIM THE
- 3 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK UP FOR HIMSELF. THE OPPORTUNITY WAS TAKEN
- 4 FROM HIM AND HIS LIFE WAS TAKEN FROM HIM. AND WE'RE LEFT STUCK
- 5 WONDERING WHAT'S GOING ON? AND HOW CAN WE GET PAST THIS? WHAT
- 6 CAN YOU GUYS DO TO HELP US AS A FAMILY? HOW CAN YOU GUYS GIVE
- 7 US SOME KIND OF SHOULDER LIFT? WE'RE NOT GETTING ANYTHING FROM
- 8 YOU GUYS. AND IT'S REALLY, REALLY CRITICAL THAT YOU GUYS ACT
- 9 WITH THE FAMILY AND BE ONE WITH US IN A SENSE, BECAUSE THIS IS
- 10 WHAT OUR GOAL IS. WE TOLD YOU WHAT WE WANT AND WE STILL
- 11 HAVEN'T GOTTEN IT. SO I REALLY, REALLY HOPE YOU HEAR ME OUT.
- 12 I'M PLEADING WITH YOU. I JUST WANT JUSTICE FOR HIM. THANK YOU.
- 14 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM?
- 16 JANAYA KAHN: HI, I'M JANAYA KAHN WITH GENDER JUSTICE L.A. I'M
- 17 THE DIRECTOR THERE. AND I'M HERE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THAT
- 18 ORG AND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE FAMILY. REALLY, WE NEED TO LOOK
- 19 AT WHAT'S BEING ASKED AND DEMANDED. IT'S AN APOLOGY. IT'S AN
- 20 APOLOGY AS ONE OF THE DEMANDS BECAUSE A LIFE WAS TAKEN,
- 21 ERRONEOUSLY. THAT IS A VERY BASIC, FUNDAMENTAL ASPECT OF
- 22 DIGNITY, OF HUMANITY. EVERY TIME THAT PEOPLE SIT HERE AND HAVE
- 23 TO JUSTIFY THE TYPE OF CHARACTER THAT A LOVED ONE IS OR A
- 24 FAMILY MEMBER, WHAT DOES THAT DO TO THE FAMILY AFTER HAVING
- 25 EXPERIENCED THAT DEATH? WHAT DOES IT MEAN AS BLACK PEOPLE WHEN



- 1 ANNIVERSARIES ARE NO LONGER JUST BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING
- 2 CEREMONIES? THEY'RE ALSO A LITANY OF DEATH. YOU HEARD DAWN
- 3 SPEAK OF TODAY BEING AUGUST 9TH AND WE HAVE MIKE BROWN'S NAME
- 4 AND NOW DONNELL THOMPSON'S NAME IS NOW ADDED TO THAT LIST. SO
- 5 SHEILA, MARK, HILDA, DON, MICHAEL, YOU HAVE BEEN PUT IN A
- 6 PARTICULAR POSITION OF POWER. WE ARE ONLY ASKING THAT YOU BE
- 7 ACCOUNTABLE. WE ARE ONLY ASKING THAT YOU HOLD THESE BODIES,
- 8 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ET CETERA, ACCOUNTABLE BECAUSE THAT
- 9 IS IN FACT THE ROLE THAT YOU ARE MEANT TO PLAY. AS A
- 10 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE, AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF SOME OF
- 11 THE MOST MARGINALIZED. HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU SAT HERE AND
- 12 HEARD THIS OVER AND OVER AGAIN? HEARD FAMILY MEMBERS SPEAK? AT
- 13 WHAT POINT WILL YOU SAY "ENOUGH. WE DO NEED TO MAKE CHANGES
- 14 AND THEY NEED TO BE TRANSFORMATIVE."? I REPRESENT SOME OF THE
- 15 MOST CRIMINALIZED AND MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES OUT THERE, AND
- 16 I KNOW MANY FOLKS HERE DO, AS WELL. BUT THE THING IS: SO DO
- 17 YOU. SO DO YOU. SO THIS ISN'T ACTUALLY ABOUT MAKING CHANGES.
- 18 IT'S ACTUALLY ASKING YOU TO DO WHAT YOU WERE HIRED TO DO AND
- 19 THAT IS REPRESENT THE PEOPLE, REPRESENT THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN
- 20 HARMED BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND BY THOSE BODIES OF
- 21 POWER.

23 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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- 1 PATRICE CULLORS: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PATRICE CULLORS, AND
- 2 I'M ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF DIGNITY AND POWER NOW. I'M ONE OF
- 3 THE CO-FOUNDERS OF BLACK LIVES MATTER. THANK YOU FOR BEING
- 4 PRESENT FOR THIS TERRIBLE OCCASION. DAY AFTER DAY, FOLKS HAVE
- 5 TO HASHTAG A NEW BLACK PERSON. DAY AFTER DAY WE ARE FORCED TO
- 6 HAVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT HOW WE ARE GOING TO BURY OUR LOVED
- 7 ONES. DAY AFTER DAY, WE DO NOT RECEIVE ANSWERS FROM LAW
- 8 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT KILLED US WITH IMPUNITY. AND WE
- 9 OFTEN DON'T RECEIVE ANSWERS FROM THE ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO ARE
- 10 SUPPOSED TO BE ACCOUNTABLE TO THE COMMUNITY. I KNOW WHEN I
- 11 CAME TO THIS BOARD ALMOST THREE YEARS AGO TO DISCUSS CIVILIAN
- 12 OVERSIGHT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, I WAS TALKING BECAUSE
- 13 MY BROTHER WAS BRUTALIZED AND ALMOST KILLED BY THE SHERIFF'S
- 14 DEPARTMENT. TODAY I STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH DONNELL
- 15 THOMPSON'S FAMILY. I WATCH THEM AS THEY WEEP. I WATCH THEM AS
- 16 THEY PLEAD WITH YOU. AS THEY RAGE. AS THEY GRIEVE. AND I HOPE,
- 17 I HOPE THAT EACH AND EVERY SINGLE BOARD MEMBER CAN TAKE
- 18 NOTICE. THERE IS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. AND THAT LOOKS LIKE
- 19 THE DEATH OF BLACK PEOPLE ALMOST EVERY 28 HOURS. THAT'S A
- 20 STATE OF EMERGENCY. IF ANY OTHER COMMUNITY WAS BEING GUNNED
- 21 DOWN, WE'D CALL IT WHAT IT IS: A STATE OF EMERGENCY. AND SO
- 22 WE'RE MAKING A REQUEST TODAY AND WE'RE DEMANDING THAT
- 23 EVERYBODY WHO'S SITTING AT THIS SEAT, THAT YOU TAKE HEED, THAT
- 24 YOU TAKE NOTICE. WE KNOW THE WORK YOU'VE DONE AROUND CIVILIAN



- 1 OVERSIGHT, WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THAT BUT THERE'S SO MUCH MORE TO
- 2 DO AND WE HOPE THAT YOU SHOW UP FOR IT. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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- 4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO CALL UP
- 5 DAWN MODKINS. SHE SPOKE. OKAY, VERY GOOD. OKAY, THEN THAT
- 6 INCLUDES SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.

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- 8 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
- 9 ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEM 1-P, 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18,
- 10 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 35, 44-E AND ON ITEM
- 11 13, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
- 12 FOR ONE WEEK. AND ON ITEM 44-A, SUPERVISORS ANTONOVICH AND
- 13 KNABE REQUEST TO BE RECORDED AS ABSTAIN.

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- 15 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR
- 16 KNABE?

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- 18 SUP. KNABE: I WAS JUST INFORMED THAT SOMEONE WANTED TO
- 19 CONTINUE ITEM 13 ONE WEEK. AND I WANT TO HOLD IT FOR
- 20 DISCUSSION.

- 22 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. WITH THAT EXCEPTION. MIKE HELD
- 23 THAT ITEM. VERY GOOD. THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. YES, YES,
- 24 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF YOUR ITEM. AND THEY'RE MOVED BY
- 25 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION.



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- 2 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR, ON ITEM 1-D AND 15,
- 3 THEY WERE HELD TOGETHER. SINCE THERE ARE OVER 30 SPEAKERS,
- 4 WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT THE SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP BE
- 5 GIVEN A MINUTE AND A HALF EACH TO SPEAK.

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- 7 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION. AND I DO,
- 8 MEMBERS, WANT TO GIVE MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY, THE FAMILY
- 9 THAT CAME FORWARD. I JUST WANT TO TELL YOU THAT THERE ARE
- 10 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHO ARE SYMPATHETIC AND WE CARE ABOUT YOU
- 11 AND WE CARE ABOUT YOUR FAMILY AND OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. SO THANK
- 12 YOU. OKAY. LET'S MOVE ON. WE HAVE ITEM 1-D AND 15 BEFORE US.

- 14 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. THE
- 15 MATTER OF ADDRESSING BLIGHT IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS
- 16 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. VERMONT AND SIXTH STREET IS SUCH AN
- 17 EXAMPLE. AND THERE IS NO DENYING THAT IT'S A MATTER OF QUALITY
- 18 OF LIFE I JUST HAVE TO SAY THAT IF WE TALK ABOUT OUALITY OF
- 19 LIFE, IT IS CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONDITIONS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO
- 20 THE DENIGRATION OF PEOPLE, THAT THIS BOARD HAS AN OBLIGATION
- 21 TO ADDRESS. THE PROJECT THAT IS BEFORE US IS SIGNIFICANT FOR A
- 22 VARIETY OF REASONS. AND THE IDEA HERE IS TO MOVE FORWARD. AND
- 23 I WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE DEDICATION
- 24 AND THE EXPERTISE OF RESPECTIVE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WHO HAVE
- 25 WEIGHED IN HERE. THIS IS ESSENTIALLY REDEVELOPMENT. BUT,



- 1 MADAME CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, IT'S REDEVELOPMENT WITHOUT THE
- 2 FORCE OF REDEVELOPMENT LAW. THE DISSOLUTION OF REDEVELOPMENT
- 3 IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS HAD AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON OUR
- 4 BEING ABLE TO DO WHAT WE WOULD ORDINARILY BE ABLE TO DO BY
- 5 FORCE OF LAW; THEREFORE, WE HAVE TO DO IT BY VIRTUE OF THE
- 6 RESOURCES AT OUR DISPOSAL. AND I WANT TO COMMEND THE CHIEF
- 7 EXECUTIVE OFFICE, THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR
- 8 THEIR WORK, THEIR LEADERSHIP, THEIR DILIGENCE IN FINDING A
- 9 DEVELOPER THAT WILL PERFORM. AND THIS IS ABOUT THE CREATION OF
- 10 SPACE THAT HONORS THE COMMUNITY THAT SURROUNDS IT AND THE
- 11 PERSONS WHO ARE COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO WORK IN THOSE FACILITIES.
- 12 THIS IS ABOUT REVITALIZATION. IT'S A DECLARATION ON BLIGHT.
- 13 THAT'S THE MESSAGE. THE CONSTRUCTION ALONE WILL GENERATE OVER
- 14 1300 JOBS OVER THE LIFE OF THE PROJECT. SO IT'S IMPORTANT THAT
- 15 THERE BE LOCAL WORKER HIRING, PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS, ALL OF
- 16 THAT BECAUSE THAT'S THE WAY IN WHICH WE DO BUSINESS AND DO IT
- 17 WELL. IT OUGHT TO ALSO ACCOMMODATE THE INTERESTS OF SMALL
- 18 BUSINESS, DEVELOPMENT AND OPPORTUNITY, THREE OBJECTIVES. SO
- 19 THE FIRST STAGE OF THE EFFORT IS TO BRING FORTH A STATE-OF-
- 20 THE-ART 400,000 SQUARE FOOT DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
- 21 SERVICES, THE HEADQUARTERS FACILITY. LONG OVERDUE. THEY'VE
- 22 BEEN IN SUBSTANDARD CONDITIONS FOR TWO DECADES, MADAME CHAIR.
- 23 TWO DECADES. AND IT'S HIGH TIME THAT THIS MATTER BE ADDRESSED.
- 24 ALMOST 2,000 EMPLOYEES FROM THREE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
- 25 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES WILL BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO



- 1 WORK UNDER ONE ROOF IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY AND THE DELIVERY
- 2 OF SERVICES. I JUST WANT TO SAY THE CONSOLIDATION WILL IMPROVE
- 3 THE WORK FLOW AND COMMUNICATION AND POTENTIALLY SERVE OTHER
- 4 COUNTY RESOURCES. NOW LET ME JUST SAY THIS IS AS PLAINLY AS I
- 5 CAN. IT'S ONE THING TO TALK ABOUT IMPROVING MENTAL HEALTH
- 6 SERVICES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR A RANGE OF THOSE WHO
- 7 OBVIOUSLY NEED THOSE SERVICES, NOT THE LEAST OF WHOM WOULD BE
- 8 THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS. BUT IF YOU HAVE THOSE WHO ARE SUPPOSED
- 9 TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES IN SUBSTANDARD WORKING CONDITIONS,
- 10 WE ARE ESSENTIALLY WORKING AGAINST OUR OWN BEST INTEREST, WE
- 11 ARE WORKING AGAINST THEIR BEST INTEREST, AND WE ARE NOT
- 12 MAXIMIZING, THAT IS, OPTIMIZING WHAT CAN HAPPEN FOR THE END-
- 13 USERS, THAT IS, THE CLIENTS AND THE PATIENTS. THIS IS GOOD AT
- 14 A VARIETY OF LEVELS. SO THIS IS MIXED USE IN CONCEPT. THAT IS
- 15 TO SAY THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL HOUSING MARKET RATE AS WELL AS
- 16 SENIOR HOUSING. IT'S A GOOD THING ANY WAY YOU LOOK AT IT.
- 17 THERE WILL BE COMMUNITY SPACE OF SOME CONSEQUENCE HERE. AND
- 18 WE'RE PLEASED THAT THAT IS THE CASE. WE SUBMIT THIS TO YOU FOR
- 19 YOUR CONSIDERATION. THE GOAL IS TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
- 20 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND FINALLY THE RELOCATION OF THE
- 21 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 22 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES WILL BE THE NEXT PHASES OF THE
- 23 WORK, THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, C.D.D., C.D.C., THEY ARE BOTH
- 24 WORKING ON IT. AND GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE KNOW THAT
- 25 COMMUNITIES ARE GENERALLY BETTER, NEIGHBORHOOD BY



- 1 NEIGHBORHOOD, WHEN WE HAVE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, WE
- 2 HAVE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WORKING AS THEY HAVE. YOU HAVE THE
- 3 CITY WEIGHING IN. SOMETHING VERY, VERY GOOD CAN HAPPEN IN THE
- 4 COMMUNITY FROM WHICH THE COMMUNITY WILL BENEFIT. MADAME CHAIR,
- 5 WE THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THESE THOUGHTS AND
- 6 WE SHOULD PROCEED TO THE BALANCE OF THE ITEM BEFORE US.
- 8 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR, YES.
- 10 SUP. KNABE: IF I COULD JUST ADD ON TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
- 11 THOMAS'S VISION. I TOTALLY AGREE WITH THAT. WHAT WE WERE ABLE
- 12 TO DO IN THE VERMONT CORRIDOR ISSUE, AS WELL AS THE RANCHO
- 13 SOUTH CAMPUS, THE VISION. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE C.E.O. AND
- 14 THEIR STAFF AND THE C.D.C. FOR THE LONG TERM WORK WE'VE BEEN
- 15 DOING ON THIS PROJECT TO PUT OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES IN LIVABLE
- 16 CONDITIONS AND WORKING CONDITIONS TO DO THE JOB THAT THEY NEED
- 17 TO DO EACH AND EVERY DAY. SO IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME COMING. AND
- 18 I JUST WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF MARK'S ITEM, AS WELL, AND
- 19 WE'LL TALK ABOUT THE SOUTH CAMPUS LATER. THANK YOU.
- 21 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. VERY GOOD. THEN WE'LL PROCEED
- 22 WITH THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. TOM LA BONGE. JONGDAI PARK.
- 23 KATHERINE KIM. BRADY COLLINS. GOOD MORNING.

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- 1 TOM LA BONGE: GOOD MORNING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THE
- 2 GREAT KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION. AND I THINK
- 3 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS SAID IT BEST. THIS CORRIDOR IS
- 4 THE MOST DENSELY POPULATED CORRIDOR IN THE NATION OUTSIDE OF
- 5 ANYTHING FROM MANHATTAN. ALL THE WAY FROM MANHATTAN, NEW YORK
- 6 CITY TO THE WILSHIRE CORRIDOR. AND THE OPPORTUNITY THAT IS
- 7 HERE FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT, FOR THE HOUSING IS PLUS PLUS. THE
- 8 OPPORTUNITY FOR BETTER, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE SPOKE OF, HOUSING
- 9 FOR THE OPERATIONS FOR THE COUNTY IN THAT AREA ARE SO
- 10 IMPORTANT. YOU HAVE ONE OF THE GREATEST PARKS SYSTEMS IN THE
- 11 WORLD, AND YOU HAVE THE TOUGHEST ADMINISTRATION BUILDING I'VE
- 12 SEEN IN ANY GOVERNMENT FACILITY OUT ON VERMONT. SO YOUR
- 13 OPPORTUNITY HERE IS GREAT. AND I HIKE EVERY DAY IN GRIFFITH
- 14 PARK. AND ONE OF THE ADVOCATES HERE ASKED ME TO COME DOWN HERE
- 15 AND SPEAK. AND SINCE I'M NOT ON SPRING STREET ANYMORE, I SAID
- 16 I'LL COME ON TEMPLE STREET AND SAY GO, GO, GO, THIS IS GOOD.
- 17 AND BRING THE PEOPLE IN. NOT ONLY THE DENSITY BUT THE
- 18 DIVERSITY. THE ZIP CODES IN THESE AREAS ARE AS DIVERSE AS ANY
- 19 IN THE NATION. SO IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY. IT SHOWS THE FACE
- 20 OF THE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WHICH IS A GREAT
- 21 THING. AND THIS USED TO BE THE FOURTH DISTRICT, SO I'VE ALWAYS
- 22 HAD A SPECIAL INTEREST IN IT. AND I THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE
- 23 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SEE ALL OF YOU.
- 24 AND GREAT JOB ON THE JOHN ANSON FORD THEATER. AND GET THAT
- 25 HIKING TRAIL UP SO THEY COULD SEE THAT BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF THAT



- 1 LAKE HOLLYWOOD. OKAY, THANK YOU. MR. ANTONOVICH, THAT'S QUITE
- 2 A JACKET YOU GOT ON. [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE]

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SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GO AHEAD.

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- 6 KATHERINE KIM: MY NAME IS KATHERINE KIM AND I AM THE PRESIDENT
- 7 OF P.A.V.A. SO EVERY DAY I DRIVE THROUGH KOREATOWN AND SEE
- 8 DOZENS OF PEOPLE WALKING ACROSS THE STREETS. AND EVERY ONE I
- 9 SEE RANGES FROM MY AGE ALL THE WAY UP TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS
- 10 IN MY COMMUNITY. ON BEHALF OF THEM, EVEN MY GRANDPARENTS AND
- 11 THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN MY BUILDING, THEY'RE CONSTANTLY WALKING
- 12 BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO PLACE TO GO AND THERE ARE NO ACTIVITIES
- 13 FOR THEM. BUT BUILDING A COMMUNITY CENTER WOULD ALSO HELP
- 14 ENABLE THEM TO BECOME INVOLVED IN ACTIVITIES IN THE COMMUNITY
- 15 AND HELP BETTER THEIR HEALTH THROUGH THE SENIOR WELLNESS
- 16 CLASSES THAT HAVE BEEN OFFERED. BUT ALSO FOR THE PEOPLE MY
- 17 AGE, IT WOULD BE GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO SOMEWHERE
- 18 VERY CLOSE TO OUR HOUSE THAT WE CAN SIMPLY WALK OVER AND
- 19 ATTEND CLASSES AND NOT ONLY WILL THE CLASSES OFFER SPORTS,
- 20 PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAMS AND MUSIC CLASSES, BUT THEY'LL ALSO
- 21 HAVE AN AFTER SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAM, WHICH HAS BEEN
- 22 PARTNERED WITH THE L.A.U.S.D. SCHOOL SYSTEM, THREE OF THEM
- 23 WHICH ARE LOCATED ON VERMONT. SO NOT ONLY WILL THESE HELP OUT
- 24 THE COMMUNITY FROM MY AGE TO EVERYONE ELSE, IT WOULD JUST BE A



- 1 GREAT PLACE FOR EVERYONE TO COME AND MEET AND SOCIALIZE AND
- 2 JUST ENGAGE IN A BUNCH OF OTHER ACTIVITIES.

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 6 BRADY COLLINS: MY NAME IS BRADY COLLINS AND I'M POLICY ANALYST
- 7 AT THE KOREATOWN IMMIGRANT WORKERS ALLIANCE. FOR OVER 24
- 8 YEARS, WE HAVE WORKED TO SUPPORT THE IMMIGRANT WORKERS,
- 9 RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES THAT MAKE UP OUR DIVERSE
- 10 COMMUNITY. KOREATOWN, OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, IS A PLACE OF
- 11 EXTREMES. WE ARE THE MOST ETHNICALLY DIVERSE NEIGHBORHOOD IN
- 12 L.A. WE'RE ALSO THE DENSEST AND THE MOST PARK POOR. THE LACK
- 13 OF PUBLIC SPACE IN KOREATOWN HAS PROFOUND IMPACTS ON THE
- 14 HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITY. AS RESIDENTS AND ESPECIALLY CHILDREN
- 15 HAVE NOWHERE TO RECREATE, EXERCISE OR INTERACT WITH THAT WITH
- 16 THEIR NEIGHBORS. THE COUNTY'S REDEVELOPMENT OF A STRETCH OF
- 17 VERMONT AVENUE IS THE OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAVE BEEN WAITING
- 18 FOR. K.E.W.A. MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE DIVERSE KOREAN AND
- 19 LATINO RESIDENTS OF KOREATOWN NEED A COMMUNITY CENTER THAT CAN
- 20 SUPPORT OUR ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD. WE ARE SO HAPPY TO SEE THAT
- 21 YOU HAVE PUT THE COMMUNITY CENTER IN WRITING. BUT 12,500
- 22 SQUARE FEET IS SIMPLY NOT ENOUGH SPACE. WE ASK THAT YOU
- 23 CONSIDER OUR PROPOSAL FOR THE KOREATOWN ARTS AND RECREATION
- 24 CENTER, OR K.A.A.R.C., SO WE CAN ENSURE THIS REDEVELOPMENT
- 25 ACTUALLY EMPOWERS OUR WHOLE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.



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- 2 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] NEXT SPEAKER?
- 3 MAY I REMIND-- IF YOU ARE IN SUPPORT, LIFT YOUR HANDS, OKAY?
- 4 THANK YOU. OKAY, NEXT SPEAKER?

- 6 REV. JONGDAI PARK: [THROUGH TRANSLATOR] GOOD MORNING. MY NAME
- 7 IS REVEREND PARK, JOHN PARK. I ALSO FORMALLY SERVED AS THE
- 8 PRESIDENT OF THE KOREAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES THAT REPRESENTS
- 9 1,350 CHURCHES. AS YOU MAY KNOW, KOREATOWN HAS THE HIGHEST
- 10 POPULATION DENSITY IN THE COUNTY. LAST NIGHT I HAD A CHANCE TO
- 11 VISIT MCDONALD'S, AND I SAW MANY KOREAN SENIORS HANGING OUT IN
- 12 THE PARKING LOT BECAUSE THERE IS NO PLACE TO CONVENE FOR
- 13 SENIORS. SO I DID ASK THEM, "ARE YOU GUYS ALL RIGHT?" AND THEY
- 14 ALL SAID, "YEAH, WE'RE FINE." BUT IN MY HEART I FELT THIS
- 15 BURDEN AND ALSO SORROW FOR THEIR SITUATION. IN KOREATOWN,
- 16 Y.M.C.A. CAME IN AND THEY WERE EXPECTING WITHIN FIVE YEARS
- 17 4,000 MEMBERS. BUT WITHIN TWO YEARS, THE MEMBERSHIP WENT UP TO
- 18 12,000. AND EVEN THOUGH I ACTUALLY WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A
- 19 MEMBER, EVEN THOUGH THE MEMBERSHIP FEE STILL IS A BARRIER, THE
- 20 MEMBERSHIP IS FULL AND SO I CAN'T EVEN TRY. AGAIN I UNDERSTAND
- 21 THAT ACTUALLY WITHIN THE THREE-BLOCK RADIUS OF THE CENTER,
- 22 THERE'S 3,000 STUDENTS. SO I BELIEVE THAT IF WE GIVE THE
- 23 OPPORTUNITY TO THESE STUDENTS, AND THE CENTER'S ACTUALLY THE
- 24 NEW BUILDING, THE COUNTY BUILDING WHERE IT WILL GO. THE
- 25 CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE CREATIVE, TO BE



- 1 HEALTHIER CITIZENS. AND I THINK THEY WILL BE HEALTHIER AND
- 2 MORE PROFITABLE FOR THE COUNTY, AS WELL. I JUST WANT TO
- 3 ACKNOWLEDGE OUR CHAIR, PRESIDENT, SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, AND
- 4 ALL THE HONORABLE COUNTY SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING MARK RIDLEY-
- 5 THOMAS, FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING THE
- 6 CENTER. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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- 8 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] AUSTIN KIM.
- 9 HYEPIN IM. WILLIAM MIN. CAROLINE SIM.

- 11 AUSTIN KIM: HELLO I'M AUSTIN KIM. I VOLUNTEER IN THE LOS
- 12 ANGELES AREA UNDER THE ORGANIZATION HOPE AND TALENT SHARE FOR
- 13 FRIENDS. AND THEY HAVE AN ORCHESTRA THERE. AND THE ORCHESTRA
- 14 IS IN VERY HARD TIMES. THEY MAY GET MONTHLY FUNDING FROM THEIR
- 15 PARENTS; HOWEVER, THE ORCHESTRA ITSELF MAY NOT FIND A LOCATION
- 16 TO PRACTICE IN. THIS ORCHESTRA GOES IN VERY UNUSUAL PLACES,
- 17 SOMETIMES EVEN IN UNDERGROUND AREAS JUST TO PRACTICE. IF THERE
- 18 WERE TO BE A SENIOR-- SORRY NOT A SENIOR CENTER, A COMMUNITY
- 19 CENTER, THE ORCHESTRA CAN FINALLY HAVE A PERMANENT AREA TO BE
- 20 IN. THIS ORCHESTRA HAPPENS TO PLAY FOR HOMELESS, CHARITIES AND
- 21 OTHER RELIEFS. IF THIS ORCHESTRA WERE TO HAVE A PERMANENT
- 22 LOCATION, THEY CAN KEEP ON GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY. AND,
- 23 FINALLY RELIEVE THE HOMELESS PEOPLE. AND THERE SHOULDN'T BE
- 24 ANY HARDSHIPS BECAUSE THE LOCATION CHANGES ALSO HAPPEN TO BE
- 25 VERY FAR FOR OTHER PEOPLE. IN SOME CASES, MY MOM HAS TO DRIVE

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- 1 30 MINUTES TO GO TO PRACTICE. AND THAT'S 30 MINUTES WASTED TO
- 2 PRACTICE. AND MANY PEOPLE HAVE LEFT DUE TO FAR LOCATIONS. SO
- 3 TO MY PERSONAL BELIEF, NO MUSICIAN SHOULD LEAVE DUE TO
- 4 LOCATION CONFLICT. THEREFORE COMMUNITY CENTER CAN KEEP
- 5 ORCHESTRA MEMBERS AND HAVE OUR ORCHESTRA KEEP ON GIVING BACK
- 6 TO THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME.

8 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? [APPLAUSE.]

10 HYEPIN IM: GOOD MORNING AGAIN, MY NAME IS HYEPIN IM, PRESIDENT

- 11 OF KOREAN CHURCHES FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. AND I BELIEVE
- 12 EARLIER THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT THE COUNTY BUILDING
- 13 FOCUSING ON MENTAL HEALTH. AND THIS PAST WEEK I HAD THE CHANCE
- 14 TO VISIT WASHINGTON, D.C. AT S.A.M.S.A. AND BE TRAINED. AND
- 15 THERE WAS VERY INTERESTING FINDING, STUDY ON RATS IN WHICH IF
- 16 YOU GAVE THEM A CHOICE BETWEEN NORMAL WATER AND I GUESS
- 17 DRUGGED WATER IN THE CAGE, THEY WOULD CHOOSE THE DRUGGED
- 18 WATER. BUT WHAT THEY DID IS WHEN THEY GAVE THE OPTION FOR RATS
- 19 TO BE IN A PLAYGROUND WITH OTHER RATS, THEY DECIDED NOT TO GO
- 20 WITH THE DRUGS. EVEN THE DRUG RATS DECIDED TO ALSO FORGO AND
- 21 BE A HEALTHIER RAT. AND THE REASON WHY I BRING THIS UP IS THAT
- 22 MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING IS DEFINITELY A HOT ISSUE. AND
- 23 IT'S ALSO VERY RELEVANT FOR THE HOMELESS. AND WE REALLY NEED
- 24 THESE TYPE OF FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY. I'VE BEEN IN THE
- 25 COMMUNITY FOR SUCH A LONG TIME, AND IT'S BEEN A DREAM AND



- 1 ASPIRATION FOR THE KOREAN COMMUNITY AND KOREATOWN COMMUNITY.
- 2 AND I BELIEVE THAT WHEN SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS RAN FOR
- 3 OFFICE, THAT WAS ONE OF THE REQUESTS. AND I'M VERY GRATEFUL.
- 4 THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN ACTUALLY TAKING A BLIGHTED
- 5 BUILDING AND MAKING THIS AMAZING RESOURCE AVAILABLE. AND SO I
- 6 BELIEVE THAT SUCH A FACILITY, A COMMUNITY CENTER, I KNOW THAT
- 7 YOU'VE ALLOCATED 12,500, BUT WE REALLY BELIEVE THAT A 40,000
- 8 SQUARE FEET WOULD MAKE IT AN ICONIC SPACE, NOT JUST FOR
- 9 KOREATOWN BUT REALLY FOR THE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY WITH KOREA
- 10 BEING A LEADING TRADE PARTNER AND THE KOREAN POPULATION BEING
- 11 THE LARGEST. AND WITH ALL THE NEEDS THAT EARLIER SPEAKERS
- 12 SPOKE OF, THIS WOULD REALLY HELP MAKE A WIN/WIN FOR ALL. SO I
- 13 REALLY WANT TO THANK EACH ONE OF YOU FOR YOUR KIND
- 14 CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU. OH ONE MORE THING. THERE ARE SO MANY
- 15 PEOPLE HERE WHO CAME OUT. AND ANYONE WHO IS IN SUPPORT OF THE
- 16 COUNTY CENTER, CAN YOU GUYS ALL STAND UP? [APPLAUSE.] THANK
- 17 YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

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- 19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER? YES, SIR. GO
- 20 AHEAD, SIR. YES. STATE YOUR NAME PLEASE.

- 22 WILLIAM MIN: THE HONORABLE COUNTY SUPERVISORS, MADAME CHAIR,
- 23 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS WILLIAM MIN. AT THE AGE OF
- 24 15, I CAME TO AMERICA AND WITNESSED NUMEROUS TRANSITIONS WHILE
- 25 I WAS LIVING IN L.A. COUNTY. I SIT HERE WITH A DEEP SENSE OF



- 1 GRATITUDE TO YOU. IN THE EARLY LAST CENTURY WHEN KOREATOWN WAS
- 2 SMALL AND THERE WERE INVISIBLE 100 YOUNG KOREAN AMERICAN
- 3 POPULATION, SAMMY LEE ASPIRED TO BECOME AN OLYMPIC SWIMMER.
- 4 BUT HE WAS EXCLUDED FROM THE PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL EXCEPT ON
- 5 FRIDAYS WHEN THEY WERE ABOUT TO CHANGE THE SWIMMING POOL
- 6 WATER. IN SPITE OF THAT DISCRIMINATION, HE BECAME TWO-TIME
- 7 OLYMPIC CHAMPION FOR THE UNITED STATES IN 1948 AND 1952. IN
- 8 THE MID CENTURY, THE DISCRIMINATORY IMMIGRATION LAW WAS
- 9 LIFTED. MULTITUDE OF KOREANS LEFT SECURITY AND COMFORT OF
- 10 HOME, CROSSED THE HIGH TIDAL PACIFIC, IN PURSUIT OF AMERICAN
- 11 DREAM AND BETTER EDUCATION FOR THEIR CHILDREN. LONG HOURS AND
- 12 WITH HARD WORK, THEY BUILT KOREATOWN. AS YOU REMEMBER, 1992,
- 13 THE CIVIL UNREST TOTALLY AND HOPELESSLY WIPED OUT KOREATOWN.
- 14 THE [INAUDIBLE] IS GONE, BUT THEY STAYED WITH STRONGER
- 15 DETERMINATION AND TOIL, THEY AGAIN BUILT THE DYNAMIC
- 16 KOREATOWN, IT STANDS TODAY. KOREATOWN TODAY PROVIDES WIDER
- 17 PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT. MORE BUSINESS TAX BASE THAN ANY
- 18 OTHER AREA.

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20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR.

- 22 WILLIAM MIN: AND WHILE EXCLUSION OF SAMMY LEE WAS SYSTEMATIC
- 23 THING, THE DEPRIVATION OF CHANCE FOR OUR YOUTH TO GROW UP IN A
- 24 BETTER SURROUNDING MAY BE INADVERTENT. BUT BECAUSE OF HIGH
- 25 DENSITY AND DIVERSITY, KOREATOWN CRIES OUT IN PAIN FOR MORE



- 1 SPACE. GIVE US THE SPACE BECAUSE OUT OF THAT WILL GROW MORE
- 2 FUTURE AMERICAN LEADERS WE COULD NOT EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT. THANK
- 3 YOU VERY MUCH.

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5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT SPEAKER?

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- 7 CAROLINE SIM: SO MRS. CHAN AND MRS. LEE ALSO SIGNED UP AND
- 8 THEY WERE GOING GIVE THEIR TIME TO ME. IS THERE ANY WAY I
- 9 COULD DO THAT? THANK YOU.

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11 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ARE THEY HERE?

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13 CAROLINE SIM: YES, THEY'RE HERE?

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15 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, THAT'S FINE.

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17 CAROLINE SIM: THANK YOU.

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19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GO AHEAD.

- 21 CAROLINE SIM: HI MY NAME IS CAROLINE SIM AND I'M HERE FROM
- 22 KOREATOWN. I LOVE KOREATOWN. DO YOU GUYS LOVE KOREATOWN?
- 23 [APPLAUSE.] YES. WE ALL LOVE KOREATOWN BECAUSE IT'S SO FULL OF
- 24 LIFE. WE'VE GOT PEOPLE OF ALL AGES, ALL COLORS, ALL INCOME
- 25 LEVELS. WE'VE GOT ARTISTS. WE EVEN NOW HAVE HIPSTERS. DID YOU



- 1 KNOW BEYONCE AND JAY-Z CAME TO K-TOWN A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO
- 2 AND ATE SOME BOILING CRAB? A LITTLE HISTORY ABOUT OUR
- 3 COMMUNITY, KOREATOWN. SO AS MR. MIN SAID, HE'S A GREAT
- 4 COMMUNITY LEADER WHO HAS BEEN FIGHTING FOR CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES
- 5 FOR ALL COLORS FOR THE LAST SEVERAL DECADES. THIS NEXT YEAR,
- 6 2017, MARKS THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE L.A. RIOTS. K-TOWN WAS
- 7 A BEEP AFTER THE RIOTS. IT WAS IN SHAMBLES. IT'S TAKEN YEARS
- 8 FOR THE BUSINESS AND DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY TO BRING IT TO WHAT
- 9 IT IS TODAY. AND THE C.R.A. WAS A HUGE HELP. DAVID RICATELLO
- 10 KNOWS, THE C.R.A. DID A LOT OF GREAT WORK IN K-TOWN. THE
- 11 C.R.A. WON \$10 MILLION OF GRANT FUNDS FOR PARK PROJECTS IN
- 12 2010. BUT UNFORTUNATELY, WE LOST IT IN 2012 WHEN THE C.R.A.
- 13 WAS SHUT DOWN. IN 2012, THERE WAS A VICTORY, THOUGH. THE
- 14 COMMUNITY ORGANIZED FOR THE FIRST TIME AND NEGOTIATED A
- 15 COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENT WITH A VERY LARGE DEVELOPER IN
- 16 THE L.A. COMMUNITY. WITH THAT COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENT,
- 17 THE COMMUNITY WAS EMPOWERED AND WE REALIZED WE HAVE THE
- 18 STRENGTH AND THE KNOWLEDGE TO FIGHT FOR WHAT IS OUR FAIR
- 19 SHARE. IN 2015, WE ALSO SUED OUR FIRST DEVELOPER FOR BAD URBAN
- 20 PLANNING AND STEAMROLLING THE COMMUNITY. ON THE FLIP SIDE, WE
- 21 ALSO ELECTED OUR FIRST COMMUNITY GUY INTO THE L.A. CITY
- 22 COUNCIL. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
- 23 LISTENING TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE CAME TO THE PREVIOUS BOARD OF
- 24 SUPERVISORS MEETINGS TO ASK FOR A COMMUNITY CENTER IN WRITING.
- 25 AND A FEW DAYS AGO WE SAW IT IN WRITING. SO THANK YOU, THANK



- 1 YOU, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] WE HEARD YOU WERE A COMMUNITY GUY,
- 2 AND THOSE WORDS IN WRITING PROVED IT. WE REALLY APPRECIATE
- 3 YOUR SUPPORT. WE ALSO HAVE THE AWESOME DREAM TEAM WORKING ON
- 4 K-TOWN, AND THAT WOULD BE LED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, BUT
- 5 WE ALSO GOT DAVID RICATELLO, MY FORMER BOSS WITH HIS DECADES
- 6 OF CREATIVE DEAL MAKING. WE HAVE DOUG COHEN, THE MASTERMIND
- 7 BEHIND THE COMPLEX ALHAMBRA MODEL. TRAMMELL-CROW, A WORLD
- 8 CLASS DEVELOPER WITH YEARS OF EXPERIENCE WITH THE COUNTY
- 9 PROJECTS. CONGRATULATIONS TO THEM AS WELL AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS
- 10 ON THE GROUNDBREAKING LAST WEEK ON LA PLAZA. I KNOW THAT WAS
- 11 MANY YEARS IN THE MAKING. THERE ARE ALSO COUNTLESS FOLKS IN
- 12 THE BACKGROUND I DON'T KNOW. BUT THANK YOU SO MUCH BECAUSE YOU
- 13 GUYS ARE ALL DOERS. I'D LIKE TO MAKE TWO POINTS THAT ARE A
- 14 LITTLE BIT BORING TO THE LAYPERSON. BUT FOR THE PEOPLE IN
- 15 CHARGE I KNOW IT MAKES SENSE SO LET ME JUST GET INTO IT.
- 16 NUMBER ONE, I AM CONCERNED, AFTER READING 123 PAGES OF YOUR
- 17 BOARD LETTER, THAT THERE IS NO MENTION OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH.
- 18 WHEN WILL THAT BE? LAST MONTH, DOUG COHEN AND I SPOKE FOR A
- 19 LONG TIME ABOUT OUTREACH THAT WOULD BE DONE IN THE FIRST FOUR
- 20 TO FIVE MONTHS OF DESIGN AND PREDEVELOPMENT. THERE IS MENTION
- 21 IN THE REPORT ABOUT REACHING OUT TO YOUR USER GROUPS LIKE THE
- 22 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, BUT THERE IS NO MENTION OF
- 23 OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY. PLEASE INCLUDE US IN THAT PROCESS.
- 24 THESE BUILDINGS WILL BE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD FOR 75 YEARS, SO
- 25 WE REALLY WANT OUR VOICES TO BE HEARD. THE COMMUNITY CENTER IS



- 1 CURRENTLY 12,500 SQUARE FEET ON SITE 3, WHICH IS THE SMALLEST
- 2 SITE. IF YOU'RE USING 6320 TAX-EXEMPT BONDS, YOU CAN ALSO PAY
- 3 FOR A COMMUNITY CENTER. \$270 MILLION FOR COUNTY OFFICES AND
- 4 PARKING STRUCTURES ON SITE 1, THAT'S ABOUT AN \$18 MILLION
- 5 ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE FOR 27 YEARS. IF YOU USE THE SAME BONDS TO
- 6 ADD ON A MAYBE \$10 MILLION COMMUNITY CENTER, THAT'S ONLY A
- 7 \$670,000 ADDITIONAL DEBT SERVICE PAYMENT PER YEAR FOR 27
- 8 YEARS. IF YOU WANT TO USE AN ADDITIONAL \$15 MILLION, THAT'S
- 9 ONLY \$950,000 OR SO. IF YOU'RE WILLING TO DO A LAND WRITE DOWN
- 10 ON SITE 2 AND 3 TO REDUCE YOUR GROUND LEASE PAYMENT OF A
- 11 MEASLY \$450,000, THIS COULD GO TOWARDS THIS COMMUNITY CENTER
- 12 ON SITE 1'S PARKING LOT, NEW MARKETS TAX CREDITS, \$210 MILLION
- 13 IN BOOMERANG FUNDS. I HAVE 10 MORE SECONDS. ALL WE ARE
- 14 REQUESTING DURING PREDEVELOPMENT IS THAT THE DEVELOPMENT TEAM
- 15 LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER ON THE CHATEAU PARKING GARAGE
- 16 SERIOUSLY. THE FUNDING IS OPTIMAL. THE LOCATION IS BETTER.
- 17 IT'S A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY TO DO GOOD PLANNING AND
- 18 BUILD AN AWESOME CENTER. IT WON'T BE THE EXPO CENTER WHICH I
- 19 ABSOLUTELY LOVE. BUT LET'S TRY OUR BEST TO DESIGN THE BEST
- 20 COMMUNITY PROJECT. SI SE PUEDE, AND TAI PING.

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- 22 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE AARON MANDEL. ALAN HOSTRUP.
- 23 ERIC PREVEN. ARNOLD SACHS. GO AHEAD.



- 1 ALAN HOSTRUP: I'M ALAN HOSTRUP. I'M THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O.
- 2 OF THE Y.M.C.A OF METROPOLITAN LOS ANGELES. I WANT THE THANK
- 3 YOU FOR THIS PROJECT. WE'RE VERY MUCH IN SUPPORT OF IT. WE'RE
- 4 A PARTNER IN THIS PROJECT. WE'VE BEEN ASKED BY THE DEVELOPER
- 5 TO LEAD THAT COMMUNITY CENTER WHICH WE FEEL IS A VERY, VERY
- 6 IMPORTANT PART OF THIS OVERALL PROJECT. THE Y.M.C.A. OF LOS
- 7 ANGELES AND ALL THE Y.M.C.A.S, WE HAVE 46 Y.M.C.A.S IN YOUR
- 8 SERVICE AREAS, SUPERVISORS. IT'S A BIG, BIG, COMMUNITY
- 9 OUTREACH ORGANIZATION. OUR NEWEST Y.M.C.A. IS THE ANDERSON
- 10 MUNGER Y.M.C.A. THAT WAS TALKED ABOUT JUST A FEW MINUTES AGO
- 11 BY ONE OF THE SPEAKERS. IT IS A WONDERFUL Y.M.C.A. WE BUILT IT
- 12 FOR 1,200 FAMILIES. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 5,300 FAMILIES THAT ARE
- 13 PARTICIPATING THERE. IT'S BUSTING AT THE SEAMS. WE SEE THE
- 14 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER AS A SATELLITE. AND WE PROMISE TO
- 15 WORK WITH ALL THE COMMUNITY GROUPS TO PROGRAM IT IN THE BEST
- 16 WAY POSSIBLE. SO I URGE YOUR SUPPORT AND THANK YOU FOR THIS
- 17 PROJECT. I WORK, MY OFFICE IS IN KOREATOWN RIGHT AT NEW
- 18 HAMPSHIRE AND WILSHIRE. I SEE THAT NEIGHBORHOOD. IT'S BUSY. IT
- 19 NEEDS THIS DEVELOPMENT. AND IT'S A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL THING
- 20 TO DO. THANK YOU.

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22 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

24 AARON MANDEL: HI, I'M AARON MANDEL WITH M.E.T.A. HOUSING.

25 WE'VE BEEN DEVELOPING MIXED USE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING



- 1 PROJECTS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY FOR OVER 20 YEARS. I WANTED TO
- 2 URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT. IN ADDITION TO REVITALIZING
- 3 A BLIGHTED SITE AND PROVIDING A SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY ASSET,
- 4 WHICH HAS BEEN DISCUSSED AT LENGTH, I WANTED TO CALL OUT
- 5 ATTENTION TO THE 72 UNITS OF SENIOR HOUSING, HALF OF WHICH WE
- 6 ANTICIPATE HAVE PROPOSED TO BE SERVING THOSE OF GREATEST NEED,
- 7 HOMELESS AND CHRONICALLY HOMELESS, LIKELY MULTIPLE POPULATIONS
- 8 THAT ARE HIGH PRIORITY IN THE COUNTY, INCLUDING BOTH H.M.S.A.
- 9 AND THOSE CHRONICALLY ILL WITH D.H.S., IF YOU'RE FAMILIAR. SO
- 10 AT LEAST HALF OF THE UNITS, APPROXIMATELY 36 UNITS, WOULD BE
- 11 SET ASIDE FOR THOSE IN MOST NEED EARNING ESSENTIALLY S.S.I.
- 12 WAGES, OR NOT EVEN WAGES. THEY'RE ON SOCIAL SECURITY, MAXIMUM
- 13 OF ABOUT \$18,000 TO \$20,000 PER YEAR. AND THE OTHER HALF WOULD
- 14 SERVE A RANGE OF INCOMES. SO I WANTED TO URGE SUPPORT, OFFER
- 15 AVAILABILITY FOR ANY QUESTIONS. AND IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING
- 16 THAT WE WOULD ABSOLUTELY WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY THROUGHOUT
- 17 THE DESIGN PROCESS. AND THAT WAS IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

- 21 AARON MANDEL: OH ONE OTHER THING, SORRY TO MENTION, IT HAS
- 22 BEEN REQUESTED BY I BELIEVE KUEHL'S OFFICE TO WORK WITH A
- 23 LOCAL NONPROFIT TO PROVIDE SERVICES IN ADDITION TO THE WRAP-
- 24 AROUND CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
- 25 UNITS. WE WOULD ABSOLUTELY DO THAT THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS.



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2 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GREAT.

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- 4 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. AND
- 5 I HOPE I GOT THIS RIGHT. I BELIEVE MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS MENTIONED
- 6 THE DISSOLUTION OF REDEVELOPMENT, REMOVE THE FORCE OF LAW FROM
- 7 EFFORTS TO PROVIDE REDEVELOPMENT. AND THERE WERE SUBSTANDARD
- 8 CONDITIONS FOR THE D.H.S./D.M.H. PERSONNEL FOR TWO DECADES. SO
- 9 MY OUESTION WOULD BE: FOR THE TIME THAT REDEVELOPMENT WAS IN
- 10 EFFECT, WHAT HAPPENED TO ANY KIND OF REDEVELOPMENT? WHY WASN'T
- 11 THIS AS A PROJECT CONSIDERED WHEN REDEVELOPMENT WAS
- 12 REDEVELOPMENT? I BELIEVE AT THE TIME OF THE DISSOLUTION OF
- 13 REDEVELOPMENT, ONE-TIME MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA MENTIONED THAT THE
- 14 CITY WAS GOING TO LOSE \$900 MILLION. I ALSO BELIEVE THAT MR.
- 15 ANTONOVICH MENTIONED THAT THE COUNTY GETS \$450 MILLION
- 16 REDEVELOPMENT FEES ANNUALLY WHEN HE WAS TALKING ABOUT I
- 17 BELIEVE IT WAS A WATER BILL OR -- I HAVE THAT INFORMATION. THE
- 18 PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT THAT WAS MENTIONED, AGAIN, YET AGAIN,
- 19 BOY, THAT WAS A OUICK 30 SECONDS. THE CONTRACTORS DON'T PICK
- 20 THE LABORERS FOR THE PROJECT; THEY'RE SENT BY THE UNIONS. SO
- 21 HOW DOES THAT AFFECT THE PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT WHEN THE
- 22 LOCAL HIRING ISN'T INCLUSIVE OF CONTRACTORS BEING ABLE TO PICK
- 23 THEIR EMPLOYEES?



- 1 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE ERIC PREVEN, JUSTIN BYUN.
- 2 HUGO GARCIA. ANDREW KWON. SCARLETT DE LEON.

- 4 HUGO GARCIA: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
- 5 IS HUGO GARCIA. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN KOREATOWN SO I KNOW
- 6 FIRSTHAND THE EFFECTS OF HAVING LIMITED PARK SPACE AND
- 7 COMMUNITY SPACE GROWING UP. IF WE WERE TO LOOK AT A TIME LAPSE
- 8 OF OUR CITY'S LANDSCAPE, WE WOULD SEE HIGH-RISES EMERGING
- 9 THROUGHOUT OUR DYNAMIC NEIGHBORHOODS. WE WOULD SEE NEW
- 10 CONSTRUCTION SITES, CRANES RISING AND TRANSFORMING OUR
- 11 SKYLINE. BUT ALL THESE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ONLY SERVE THOSE
- 12 WHO CAN AFFORD IT. BY ALLOWING THE KOREATOWN ARTS AND
- 13 RECREATION CENTER TO OPEN ITS DOORS WITH ENOUGH SQUARE
- 14 FOOTAGE, WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FROM THE
- 15 COMMUNITY HAVE A PLACE THAT WILL NOT BE OVERCROWDED. ON
- 16 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD IN HOBART, WHERE WE THOUGHT THAT WE WERE
- 17 GOING TO HAVE A COMMUNITY PARK, YOU CAN SEE A RISING PROJECT
- 18 OF LUXURY APARTMENTS. THE PARK THAT WE BELIEVED WAS GOING TO
- 19 SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY CAME TO A HALT WHEN, THE
- 20 C.R.A. WAS DISSOLVED IN 2011 AS WAS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED. NOW
- 21 WITH THE KOREATOWN ARTS AND RECREATION CENTER, WE HAVE A
- 22 CHANCE TO SEE SPACE FOR OUR CHILDREN AND FUTURE GENERATIONS TO
- 23 COME. THUS, I URGE YOU WITH THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN MIND TO
- 24 PLEASE INCREASE SPACE FOR THIS CENTER THAT IS VERY MUCH
- 25 NEEDED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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- 4 JUSTIN BYUN: HELLO, MY NAME IS JUSTIN BYUN. I'M HERE TO TALK
- 5 ABOUT WHY A COMMUNITY CENTER WOULD BE NECESSARY IN KOREATOWN.
- 6 ON VERMONT AND FIFTH, THERE IS A PLOT THAT HOLDS A POTENTIAL
- 7 OF BECOMING A USEFUL COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE COMMON GOOD.
- 8 KOREATOWN'S POPULATION IS DIVERSE WITH KOREANS, LATINOS,
- 9 AFRICAN-AMERICANS, WHITES AND OTHER MINORITIES. HOWEVER,
- 10 KOREATOWN DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH COMMUNITY CENTERS FOR THE HUGE
- 11 POPULATION DENSITY. THINK ABOUT WHAT ONE MORE COMMUNITY CENTER
- 12 WOULD DO. IT CAN OFFER PEOPLE WITH ANY BUDGET CLASSES SUCH AS
- 13 LANGUAGES, HOMEWORK HELP, INSTRUMENT CLASSES, SPORTS CLINICS
- 14 AND MANY MORE. WE COULD USE THIS DENSE POPULATION TO OUR
- 15 BENEFIT. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS LIKE ME HAVE THE CHANCE TO TEACH
- 16 OTHER YOUNG STUDENTS, NURTURING OUR FUTURE GENERATION AND
- 17 ENRICHMENT WOULD MAKE A PROFITABLE FUTURE. THIS COMMUNITY
- 18 CENTER IN THE MAKING WILL SUPPORT PEOPLE WHO LACK FINANCE,
- 19 SENIORS, THE DISADVANTAGED AND STUDENTS WHO WOULD LIKE TO
- 20 SHARE THEIR TALENTS TO THE COMMUNITY USING THE POWER TO TEACH.
- 21 AS A KOREAN AMERICAN, I URGE THE L.A. COUNTY TO DEVELOP A
- 22 COMMUNITY CENTER FOR KOREATOWN'S PROGRESSIVE FUTURE. THANK YOU
- 23 FOR GIVING ME THIS CHANCE TO SHARE MY IDEAS AND OPINIONS.



1 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT

2 SPEAKER?

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- 4 SCARLETT DE LEON: HELLO. MY NAME IS SCARLETT DE LEON. I'M THE
- 5 POLITICAL ORGANIZER AT K.E.W.A. I HAVE LIVED IN KOREATOWN FOR
- 6 MOST OF MY LIFE. AS A KID, SUMMER VACATIONS MEANT HOURS IN
- 7 FRONT OF THE T.V. WITH NO PARK OR COMMUNITY CENTERS TO GO TO
- 8 BECAUSE KOREATOWN IS THE MOST PARK POOR NEIGHBORHOOD IN LOS
- 9 ANGELES COUNTY. AND NOW I SEE MY BROTHER AND SISTER GROWING UP
- 10 THE SAME WAY. MY GRANDMOTHER HAS LIVED IN KOREATOWN 30 YEARS
- 11 NOW. AND NOW THAT SHE'S RETIRED, THERE'S NOWHERE FOR HER TO
- 12 GO. SHE SPENDS HER DAYS IN A ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT. MY
- 13 GRANDMA, MY BROTHER, MY SISTER, LIKE MANY, NEED A SAFE SPACE
- 14 IN KOREATOWN. KOREATOWN IS LONG OVERDUE A COMMUNITY CENTER.
- 15 HOWEVER, DUE TO THE HIGH DENSITY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, 12,000
- 16 IS NOT ENOUGH. WE SAW THIS AT THE Y.M.C.A. THAT OPENED TWO
- 17 YEARS AGO ON OXFORD AND THIRD. THEY ESTIMATED THEY WOULD GET
- 18 4,000 MEMBERS WITHIN FIVE YEARS OF OPENING. THEY JUST PASSED
- 19 THEIR TWO-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF OPENING AND THEY NOW HAVE OVER
- 20 12,000 MEMBERS. WE NEED MORE COMMUNITY SPACE. THE KIDS,
- 21 PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, FAMILY DESERVE ADEQUATE COMMUNITY
- 22 SPACE. THANK YOU.

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24 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 ANDREW KWON: GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS
- 2 ANDREW KWON AND I'M ONE OF THE VICE PRESIDENTS OF P.A.V.A.,
- 3 THE PACIFIC AMERICAN VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION. I'M HERE
- 4 REPRESENTING THE YOUTH WHO SPEND TIME IN KOREATOWN AND ALSO IN
- 5 FAVOR OF THE RECOMMENDATION PRESENTED HEREFORTH. SO AS THE
- 6 SPEAKERS BEFORE ME HAVE ALREADY POINTED OUT, KOREATOWN IS
- 7 REALLY LACKING A STRONG COMMUNITY CENTER AND MANY PARKS. JUST
- 8 TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA, KOREATOWN HAS A TOTAL OF FOUR PARKS. AND
- 9 THE SOLE INTERNATIONAL PARK IS THE ONLY PARK THERE THAT HAS
- 10 THE LAND SIZE OF OVER 5,000 SQUARE FEET. AND EVEN THEN, IN
- 11 INTERNATIONAL PARK, THERE IS NO ACTUAL COMMUNITY CENTER
- 12 BUILDING FOR PEOPLE TO GO AND SPEND TIME. SO, A COMMUNITY
- 13 CENTER ISN'T JUST FOR A PLACE FOR SENIORS TO HANG OUT OR YOUTH
- 14 TO HANG OUT, BUT, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IMAGINE BACK IN YOUR
- 15 CHILDHOOD, MAYBE YOU SPENT SOME TIME IN THE PARK WITH SOME
- 16 FRIENDS AND SOME FAMILY. NOW IN KOREATOWN, THAT KIND OF SPACE
- 17 IS LACKING. WE DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF SPACE. IT'S REPLACED BY
- 18 BROWN GRASS OR BUILDINGS THAT AREN'T EVEN BEING USED. ALSO
- 19 JUST TO GIVE YOU ANOTHER IDEA IN COMPARISON TO OTHER AREAS,
- 20 FOR EXAMPLE, HANCOCK PARK WHICH HAS A POPULATION SIMILAR TO
- 21 KOREATOWN. IT HAS 16 PARKS AND FIVE COMMUNITY CENTERS, WHEREAS
- 22 KOREATOWN HAS 4 PARKS AND ZERO COMMUNITY CENTERS. THE
- 23 KOREATOWN YOUTH COMMUNITY CENTER IS AN EXCEPTION, BUT EVEN
- 24 THAT IS ONLY COMPRISED OF SEVERAL ROOMS INSIDE A BUILDING
- 25 WHICH IT DOES NOT EVEN OWN ITSELF. SO, YEAH, KOREATOWN IS



- 1 REALLY LACKING SPACE FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, MAYBE EDUCATION
- 2 AND EVENTS. SO THANK YOU FOR LISTENING AND I YIELD MY TIME TO
- 3 THE CHAIR. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE MARCK LEE, DANIEL
- 6 LEE MOON. GRACE YOO. KRISTINA MATA. YES, GO AHEAD, SIR.

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- 8 MARCK LEE: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARCK LEE. I REPRESENT THE
- 9 SPOKESMAN FOR THE KOREAN AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LOS ANGELES,
- 10 REPRESENTING THE L.A. COUNTY KOREAN CITIZENS LIVING IN L.A.
- 11 COUNTY. AT THIS TIME, I WANTED TO TAKE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY THAT
- 12 I URGE THE SUPERVISORS TO MOVE ON THE VERMONT CORRIDOR PROJECT
- 13 AND URGE THEM TO CONSIDER IT. I WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT
- 14 KOREAN COMMUNITY AND L.A. COUNTY KOREAN AMERICANS NEED A
- 15 COMMUNITY CENTER. I URGE THE SUPERVISORS TO EXPAND THE SPACE
- 16 YOU WOULD PROPOSE TO MAYBE DOUBLE THE SPACE A LITTLE BIT SO
- 17 THE COMMUNITY COULD USE FOR THE FACILITY, THE KOREAN COMMUNITY
- 18 AND THROUGH L.A. COUNTY THANK YOU.

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20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 22 DANIEL LEE: GOOD MORNING, YOUR HONOR. MY NAME IS DANIEL LEE.
- 23 I'M A BOARD MEMBER OF THE KOREAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
- 24 SO I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITIES AND
- 25 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN KOREATOWN. OVER THE YEARS, WE HAVE SEEN



- 1 TREMENDOUS GROWTH AND TRANSFORMATION OF THE KOREATOWN. WE HAVE
- 2 SUCH BUSINESS GROWTH AND WE HAVE SEEN MANY BUSINESSMEN AND
- 3 ENTREPRENEURS ACHIEVING THEIR AMERICAN DREAMS. BUT AT THE SAME
- 4 TIME, WE UNDERSTAND THAT IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN AND CONTINUE
- 5 SUCH GROWTH AND PROVIDE SUCH OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESS, IT IS
- 6 IMPORTANT TO HAVE COMMUNITY THAT HAS THEIR MEMBERS HAVING
- 7 ACCESS TO COMMUNITY PARKS AND SPACES WHERE THE COMMUNITY
- 8 MEMBERS CAN HAVE A MUCH HEALTHY AND VITAL LIFE. SO IT IS
- 9 IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW SEEING THE OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE SUCH A
- 10 BIG POTENTIALLY COMMUNITY CENTER WITHIN THE VERMONT PROJECT,
- 11 WE URGE THE BOARD TO CONSIDER THE BIGGER SPACES. ACTUALLY THAT
- 12 CAN FUNCTION AS A COMMUNITY SPACE THAT, CAN PROVIDE ALL THE
- 13 AMENITIES AND THE SERVICES FOR SENIORS IN THIS USE. SO ONCE
- 14 AGAIN FOR OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITIES, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR
- 15 OUR COMMUNITY THAT WE FUNCTION AND TO BUSINESSES TO HAVE
- 16 ACCESS TO SUCH VITAL COMMUNITY FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES. THANK
- 17 YOU SO MUCH.

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19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 21 DANIEL LEE MOON: HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD.
- 22 HONORABLE BOARD. MY NAME IS DANIEL LEE MOON. AND I'M HERE AS A
- 23 REPRESENTATIVE. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN KOREATOWN, LOS
- 24 ANGELES. AS LIKE MANY IMMIGRANT FAMILIES, MY CARETAKERS, MY
- 25 PARENTS, ENGLISH WAS NOT THEIR PRIMARY LANGUAGE SO I REALLY



- 1 COMMEND THE PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY THE YOUNGER
- 2 FOLKS WHO HAVE COME HERE AND REALLY AS A SPOKESPERSON FOR OUR
- 3 COMMUNITY, THAT'S VERY COMMENDABLE AT THEIR AGE. SECOND OF
- 4 ALL, SO MY FAMILY, WE OWN A MARTIAL ARTS SCHOOL AND WE'VE HAD
- 5 IT FOR OVER 48 YEARS. I'M THE NEW DIRECTOR AT THE SCHOOL. AND
- 6 I KNOW FIRSTHAND HOW MUCH EXERCISE, SPORTS AND ARTS CAN HAVE
- 7 AN IMPACT ON PEOPLE. I WITNESS IT ALL THE TIME. YOU KNOW, IF
- 8 YOU LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY, THERE'S ALSO A LOT OF, I GUESS,
- 9 TAGGING OR GRAFFITI GOING ON THAT WE WITNESS. IF YOU CAN PUT A
- 10 CENTER WHERE YOU CAN HARNESS THE SKILL THAT WE OFTEN SEE AS
- 11 KIND OF LIKE A THUMBPRINT ON OUR SOCIETY, IF YOU CAN COME TO
- 12 THE CENTER AND REALLY USE THIS FOR A POSITIVE LIGHT, I BELIEVE
- 13 THAT WE CAN REALLY TRULY AFFECT THE COMMUNITY AND THEREFORE IN
- 14 OUR TOWN, AS POPULATED AS IT IS, NOT ONLY KOREANS BUT SO MANY
- 15 DIFFERENT NATIONALITIES TO COME OVER HERE AND REPRESENT OUR
- 16 TOWN, THAT SAYS A LOT. SO WE REALLY NEED THIS. AND I THANK YOU
- 17 VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 21 KRISTINA MATA: MY NAME IS KRISTINA MATA. MY HUSBAND, REVEREND
- 22 MICHAEL MATA, AND I HAVE RAISED OUR CHILDREN IN MID WILSHIRE
- 23 KOREATOWN. I AM A FOURTH GENERATION ANGELINO. SO MY GREAT
- 24 GRANDMOTHER RAISED HER CHILDREN IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, AS WELL.
- 25 AND I DO WANT TO FIRST SAY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SUPERVISOR



- 1 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL, WE HAVE WATCHED YOUR GOOD
- 2 WORK. AND WE ARE SO GRATEFUL. WE'VE SEEN THROUGH THE DECADES
- 3 THE GOOD YOU'VE DONE. AND YOU'VE SHOWN UP. AND YOU'VE GOTTEN
- 4 YOUR HANDS DIRTY, THANK YOU. IT'S AN OBVIOUS FACT THAT WE NEED
- 5 A CENTER. I DON'T THINK THAT NEEDS TO BE BELABORED. BUT I WANT
- 6 TO SPEAK TO THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO NOT SET
- 7 OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH, UP TO FAIL. IF WE
- 8 PROVIDE A SPACE THAT IS TOO CRAMPED, ALREADY I'M A CHARTER
- 9 MEMBER OF THE Y. I NEEDED TO GIVE UP THAT Y MEMBERSHIP. THE
- 10 TENSIONS OF WAITING IN THOSE LINES FOR CLASSES, THE TENSIONS
- 11 AMONG THE WOMEN IN THE LOCKER ROOM, IT DID EXACTLY THE
- 12 OPPOSITE OF ITS INTENTION. AND I'M QUITE SURE THAT WITH
- 13 CREATIVITY, YOU HAVE TREMENDOUS POLITICAL WILL. IN THIS ROOM,
- 14 YOU HAVE THE PEOPLE BEHIND YOU. WE WILL HELP YOU FIND A
- 15 SOLUTION TO CREATE A 40,000-FOOT FACILITY. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT
- 16 THE MENTAL HEALTH OF OUR YOUTH, OF COURSE. AND I'M GRATEFUL,
- 17 GRATEFUL FOR THE WORK YOU'RE DOING. THANK YOU. LET'S GET
- 18 40,000 FEET IN THERE, I THINK. [APPLAUSE]

20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GRACE YOO. ANDY RODRIGUEZ, RAFAD

- 21 GIRGIS. SAM OH. VICTOR DOMINGUEZ. GO AHEAD, GET STARTED. STATE
- 22 YOUR NAME.

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- 24 GRACE YOO: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS GRACE YOO. I
- 25 HAVE BEEN A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST IN KOREATOWN FOR THE PAST 15



- 1 YEARS OR SO. AND I JUST WANT TO COME BACK AND SAY SUPERVISOR
- 2 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, WE WERE HERE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING WHEN
- 3 WE TALKED ABOUT THE BLIGHT AND THE NEED. AND YOU HEARD ME WHEN
- 4 I SAID WE NEEDED AFFORDABLE SENIOR HOUSING. YOU HEARD ME AGAIN
- 5 WHEN I CAME BACK. AND, SUPERVISORS, YOU ALL HEARD THE NEEDS OF
- 6 MY COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THE 150 OF US AGED 3 INTO OUR 80S THAT
- 7 ARE STANDING AND SITTING BEHIND ME RIGHT NOW. [APPLAUSE.] WE
- 8 ASK THAT YOU HEAR ME ONE MORE TIME. NOT ONLY ARE WE ASKING,
- 9 AND WE'RE REALLY GRATEFUL THAT YOU'VE MARKED IT FOR 12,500
- 10 SQUARE FEET, BUT YOU'RE HEARING FROM THE PEOPLE, FROM
- 11 RESIDENTS WHO ARE ASKING: PLEASE HEAR THE PLEA. IT IS MORE
- 12 THAN JUST SPACE TO US. IT IS LIFE FOR US. THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO
- 13 HAVE NO CHOICES. WE NEED YOU TO STEP UP AND DO THE RIGHT THING
- 14 FOR THIS COMMUNITY. THE MEMBERS DESERVE IT. THE RESIDENTS ARE
- 15 BEGGING FOR IT. YOU DO NOT SEE US COMING LIKE THIS VERY OFTEN,
- 16 BUT WE REALLY WANTED YOU TO HEAR US ONCE AGAIN. PLEASE
- 17 INCREASE THE SPACE. THANK YOU.

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19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 21 RAFAD GIRGIS: MY NAME IS RAFAD GIRGIS. I AM THE INTERIM
- 22 PASTOR, HEAD OF STAFF OF EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HERE IN
- 23 LOS ANGELES. IT IS AN INTERSECTION OF CULTURE, SPIRIT AND
- 24 JUSTICE IN THE HEART OF THIS GREAT CITY. AND IT IS IN THE
- 25 MIDDLE OF A BEAUTIFUL AND MOST DIVERSE KOREATOWN IN THE WORLD,



- 1 OF WHICH I AM HONORED TO BE ONE OF ITS RESIDENTS. I WANT TO
- 2 THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING ITEM 1-D. BY VOTING YES TO THIS
- 3 PROJECT, YOU WILL BE LIVING UP TO YOUR VISION FOR A HEALTHY
- 4 AND VIBRANT COMMUNITY. KOREATOWN'S COMMUNITY HAS THE MOST
- 5 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND YET HAS THE LEAST AMOUNT OF
- 6 PARKS AND COMMUNITY SPACE IN THE ENTIRE COUNTY. PLEASE
- 7 ALLOCATE MORE SPACE FOR THIS COMMUNITY CENTER. RESPONDING
- 8 POSITIVELY TO THE EXPANSION OF THIS CENTER MEANS MUCH MORE
- 9 THAN JUST A SPORT OR RECREATION CENTER. IT WILL BRING PEOPLE
- 10 TOGETHER, PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND ALL RACES AND CULTURAL
- 11 BACKGROUNDS. IT WILL PROVIDE RICH OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENCOUNTER
- 12 WITH THE OTHER, THUS BREAKING BARRIERS, BUILDING COMMUNITIES
- 13 AND REDUCING CRIME IN THE COUNTY. WITH THE COMING OF THESE
- 14 DIFFERENCES, WITH THE COMING OF SUCH DIVERSITY COMES ALSO
- 15 INNOVATION, GREAT IDEAS AND NEW IDEAS WILL EMERGE FOR THE SAKE
- 16 OF THE BUILDING OF THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO
- 17 THE VOICES OF THE PEOPLE.

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19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

- 21 ANDY RODRIGUEZ: GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS ANDY
- 22 RODRIGUEZ. I'M THE GANG PREVENTION DIRECTOR FOR THE OLYMPIC
- 23 ZONE AT THE BRESEE FOUNDATION. THE BRESEE FOUNDATION IS AN
- 24 AFTER SCHOOL YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES
- 25 COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES TO LOW INCOME FOLKS THAT LIVE IN THE



- 1 MID WILSHIRE, KOREATOWN DISTRICT. OUR BASIC VISION OF OUR
- 2 CENTER IS TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES, COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES,
- 3 OPPORTUNITIES WHERE YOUTH AND FAMILIES CAN GROW. FOR FAR TOO
- 4 OFTEN, I HAVE SEEN THE PLIGHT OF GANG FORMATION IN THE
- 5 DISTRICT. AND I CAN ATTEST TO THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A 15,000
- 6 SQUARE FOOT NONPROFIT YOUTH CENTER WHERE OUR DEMAND IS TOO
- 7 HIGH FOR THE SPACE THAT WE CAN PROVIDE. WE CURRENTLY PROVIDE
- 8 SERVICES TO ABOUT 200 YOUTH ON A DAILY BASIS, NOT INCLUDING
- 9 THE FAMILIES THAT COME THROUGH OUR DOORS. AND I CAN ATTEST TO
- 10 THE FACT THAT WE HAVE PEOPLE ON THE WAITING LIST WHO ARE
- 11 WAITING TO GET SOME OF OUR SERVICES, PARENTS THAT JUST WANT TO
- 12 ASK OUR STAFF TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THEIR YOUTH,
- 13 WHOM MANY OF OUR YOUTH ARE BEING GANG BOUND IN OUR CITY. AND I
- 14 WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT THIS COMMUNITY CENTER IS GOING TO
- 15 PROVIDE HOPE AND A BEACON OF LIGHT FOR A LOT OF YOUTH THAT
- 16 NEED IT. AND I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE 40,000 SQUARE FOOT
- 17 YOUTH CENTER IN KOREATOWN.

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19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 21 SAM OH: HELLO MY NAME IS SAMUEL OH. I'M FROM KOREATOWN. IT'S
- 22 MY GREAT PLEASURE TO SPEAK MY OPINION ON THE VOTE. I'M GOING
- 23 TO TELL THE BOARD ABOUT MY SPECIAL EXPERIENCE AND CONDITION.
- 24 AND JUST THREE YEARS AGO I RETIRED EARLIER. AND I WAS LOOKING
- 25 FOR THE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT. SO I'M LOOKING FOR WHAT KIND OF



- 1 THE COMMUNITY TO BE INVOLVED IN ACTIVITY. AND I DECIDE TO JOIN
- 2 GRASSROOTS ACTIVITY FOR THE BOARD LEGISLATION AND VOTING
- 3 RIGHTS EDUCATION AND LEGISLATION ACTIVITY. AND WE REMEMBER OUR
- 4 CARE MEMBER JOINED KOREAN AMERICAN GRASSROOTS CONVENTION THREE
- 5 YEARS AGO. ONE YEAR AGO IT WAS 33 YEAR EXPERIENCE BY
- 6 KOREATOWN, KOREAN COMMUNITY GRASSROOTS CONVENTION IN HISTORY.
- 7 BUT WE JOINED THEM. AND WE ENJOYED OUR EXPERIENCE IN KOREATOWN
- 8 FUTURE HOPPER TO POST UP BOARD LEGISLATION AND VOTING. AND I
- 9 WAS LOOKING FOR COMEBACK TO THE TOWN. I WAS LOOKING FOR THE
- 10 SMALL TOWN OF THE OFFICE. I COULD NOT FIND THE OFFICE. AND
- 11 THEN I WAS BEGGING, OKAY KOREATOWN ORGANIZATION, KOREAN
- 12 AMERICAN COORDINATION, I COULD NOT FIND THEM. PLEASE CONSIDER
- 13 OUR SMALL SPACE IN KOREATOWN COMMUNITY CENTER TO PUSH OUT
- 14 KOREATOWN VOTING RIGHTS AND EDUCATION. THANK YOU.

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16 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 18 VICTOR DOMINGUEZ: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND THE HONORABLE
- 19 COUNTY SUPERVISORS. MY NAME'S VICTOR DOMINGUEZ. I SERVE AS THE
- 20 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE Y.M.C.A. OF METROPOLITAN LOS
- 21 ANGELES. I FIRST WANT TO REALLY THANK THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP
- 22 OF KOREATOWN FOR SHARING THEIR PASSION TO BE ABLE TO ADVANCE
- 23 THE KOREATOWN COMMUNITY. AND JUST LIKE THE Y, OUR COMMITMENT
- 24 TO ADVANCE THE LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD IS AT THE FOREFRONT. AND WE
- 25 ARE VERY PROUD TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP. THIS IS A COMMITMENT



- 1 THAT WE WANT TO MAKE TODAY MOVING FORWARD THAT WE WILL WORK IN
- 2 PARTNERSHIP WITH OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE
- 3 HOUSED OR PROVIDE SERVICES IN THE LOCAL KOREATOWN COMMUNITY SO
- 4 THAT WE CAN CREATE A PROGRAM MENU THAT WILL HELP ADVANCE THE
- 5 LOCAL COMMUNITY. SO WHETHER THAT'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, THE
- 6 SENIOR SERVICES OR MENTAL HEALTH, WHATEVER TYPE OF SERVICES
- 7 THAT IS NEEDED IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, WE AS AN ORGANIZATION
- 8 ARE COMMITTED AND DEDICATED TO WORKING ALONGSIDE OUR PARTNERS.
- 9 THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. AND THE Y.M.C.A.
- 10 METROPOLITAN LOS ANGELES, WE FULLY SUPPORT THIS PROJECT.

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- 12 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. WE HAVE MOSES KIM. SANDRA KO.
- 13 HUN CHOI. AND ELISEO OLIVA. AND SHELIAH WARD AND GREG
- 14 WITTMANN.

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16 MOSES KIM: HELLO. GOOD MORNING.

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18 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: STATE YOUR NAME.

- 20 MOSES KIM: I'M MOSES KIM. I'M FROM KOREAN CHURCHES FOR
- 21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR
- 22 CONSIDERING THE COMMUNITY CENTER IN WRITING. I LIVE IN
- 23 KOREATOWN AND I ALSO WORK IN KOREATOWN. I CALLED KOREATOWN MY
- 24 HOME FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS. AND I'VE SEEN SO MUCH IN TERMS OF
- 25 THE DIVERSITY OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE RESIDENTS IN KOREATOWN



- 1 AND I'VE ALSO SEEN THE NEED FOR A COMMUNITY SPACE AND A
- 2 COMMUNITY CENTER THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO RIGHT NOW. AND I FEEL
- 3 LIKE, AS A PERSON THAT LIVES THERE THAT 12,500 SQUARE FEET, AS
- 4 MUCH AS THAT'S BEEN ALLOCATED AND THAT'S GREAT, THAT THAT'S
- 5 NOT ENOUGH FOR THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE THAT LIVE
- 6 IN KOREATOWN. AND I IMPLORE THE BOARD TO KIND OF RECONSIDER TO
- 7 LOOK FOR A BIGGER SPACE. AND THE REASON WHY IS BECAUSE THIS IS
- 8 AN OPPORTUNITY, A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY TO KIND OF
- 9 BRING TOGETHER AGAIN THE CULTURAL AND ETHNIC DIVERSITY OF
- 10 KOREATOWN AND TO SHINE IT, SHINE THAT LIGHT, THAT KOREATOWN
- 11 CAN REALLY OFFER, TO THE CITY AND THIS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
- 12 SO I AGAIN IMPLORE TO REALLY RECONSIDER THE 12,500 TO BE MORE
- 13 OF THAT 40,000 SQUARE FEET PROPOSAL THAT FOR THE KOREATOWN
- 14 ARTS AND COMMUNITY CENTER. THANK YOU.

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16 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 18 HUN CHOI: MY NAME IS HUN CHOI FROM KOREAN CHURCHES FOR
- 19 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU FOR LISTENING
- 20 TO OUR REQUESTS, AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT. WE NEED LIKE
- 21 MORE SPACE FOR OUR COMMUNITY CENTER BECAUSE THIS SPACE IS NOT
- 22 JUST SPACE, BUT THIS SPACE IS THE HOPE FOR THE FUTURE
- 23 GENERATION AND THE POSSIBILITY FOR OUR COMMUNITY. SO I JUST
- 24 HOPE THAT THE COUNTY JUST RECONSIDER THAT EXPANDING THIS SPACE
- 25 TO LIKE 40,000. THANK YOU.



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2 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 4 GREG WITTMANN: GREG WITTMANN. I LIVE AND WORK IN KOREATOWN AND
- 5 I'M SUPPORTING A LARGER COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THREE REASONS.
- 6 THE FIRST IS THE UNIQUE LOCATION. THE PROJECT SITES AT THE
- 7 INTERSECTION OF TWO OF THE BUSIEST TRANSIT CORRIDORS IN THE
- 8 COUNTY, VERMONT AND WILSHIRE. IT'S HIGHLY ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE
- 9 BY FOOT, BY BIKE, BY TRAIN AND BY BUS , SO PEOPLE OF ALL AGES
- 10 AND ABILITIES WOULD BE ABLE TO ACCESS THE SITE. SECOND BECAUSE
- 11 OF ITS DIVERSITY, THE PEOPLE IN THE AREA, FROM STUDENTS TO
- 12 SENIORS, PEOPLE OF EVERY RACE AND ETHNICITY AND RELIGION, IF
- 13 WE'RE SERIOUS ABOUT BUILDING A COUNTY WHERE THERE ARE EQUAL
- 14 OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE OF ALL BACKGROUNDS TO HAVE SUCCESSFUL
- 15 OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITY CENTERS, IT'S IMPORTANT. AND THE
- 16 FINAL PURPOSE IS FOR NEED. BUT THIS IS THE AREA WITH THE
- 17 FEWEST PARKS PER CAPITA AND A LOT OF RESIDENTS DON'T HAVE
- 18 PRIVATE YARDS LIKE IN OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTY. I THINK IT'S
- 19 IMPORTANT THAT THE CENTER IS INCORPORATED AT AN EARLY STAGE OF
- 20 ANALYSIS SO THAT FUTURE ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING COULD ADEQUATELY
- 21 CONSIDER AND NOT FORECLOSE THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LARGER
- 22 COMMUNITY CENTER. SO IT SHOULD BE INCLUDED NOW AS OPPOSED TO
- 23 LATER. AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE ANDERSON MUNGER "Y" WHICH
- 24 HAS REALLY IMPRESSED UPON ME THE DIRE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL
- 25 COMMUNITY CENTERS, ESPECIALLY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND SENIORS WHO



- 1 ARE AT GREAT NEED FOR COMMUNITY CENTERS FOR THEIR MENTAL WELL-
- 2 BEING. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

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- 6 ELISEO OLIVO: GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD,
- 7 I APOLOGIZE FOR MY ENGLISH. KOREATOWN HAS ALMOST-- BY THE
- 8 CENSUS OF 2000, IT HAD MORE THAN 43,000 PEOPLE PER SQUARE
- 9 MILE. BY NOW WE CAN IMAGINE HOW MUCH THAT PEOPLE-- IT'S 3,000
- 10 STUDENTS PER SQUARE MILE THAT DON'T HAVE ANY PLACE TO GO SPEND
- 11 THEIR TIME. SO MY NAME IS ELISEO OLIVO. I LIVE 36 YEARS IN
- 12 KOREATOWN AND HAVE ALL THIS TIME DREAMED THAT ONE DAY OUR
- 13 BEAUTIFUL KOREATOWN WILL BE COMPLETE. I SAY THIS BECAUSE OUR
- 14 CITY HAS ALWAYS BEEN INCOMPLETE. ANY CITY THAT DOES NOT
- 15 PROVIDE ITS CITIZENS WITH PARKS AND RECREATION CENTER IS NOT
- 16 COMPLETE. IT'S NOT A COMPLETE CITY. WORSE YET, THEY BECOME
- 17 PRISONS ESPECIALLY WITH THE DENSE POPULATION IN KOREATOWN.
- 18 PARKS ARE INDISPENSABLE. THEY RELIEVE OUR STRESS AND
- 19 DEPRESSION. ITS PURPOSE IS NOT ONLY FOR CHILDREN. IT IS ALSO
- 20 FOR THE PARENTS WHO, EVERY DAY HECTIC WORK LIVES ARE ON TOP
- 21 BOARD, AND WITH THE BOMBARDMENT OF OUR DAILY SENSATIONALIST
- 22 NEWS. SO PLEASE, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD, WE BEG YOU
- 23 TO LISTEN AND HAVE MORE PARKS IN OUR CITY. THANK YOU.

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25 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.



- 2 SHELIAH WARD: GREETINGS IN THE SPIRIT OF THE MOST HIGH.
- 3 SHELIAH WARD. IT'S A GOOD THING THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A
- 4 COMMUNITY CENTER FOR PEOPLE. BUT I'M APPALLED THAT WE'RE
- 5 TALKING ABOUT COMMUNITY CENTERS IN MY LAND, IN MY COUNTRY,
- 6 THAT ALL YOU PEOPLE CAME TO AND TO VISIT AND TO MAKE YOUR HOME
- 7 OF THE HOME OF THE BRAVE AND THE LAND OF THE FREE. THERE'S NO
- 8 COMMUNITY CENTER IN NO BLACK COMMUNITY CENTER THAT I KNOW OF
- 9 IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE ONE PLACE CALLED CONGO
- 10 SQUARE IN A PARK CALLED LEIMERT, THAT I WAS TOLD THIS IS THE
- 11 FIRST TIME IN OVER 10,000 YEARS THAT BLACK PEOPLE FROM ALL
- 12 OVER THE WORLD CAN COME TOGETHER AND PRACTICE CULTURE WITHOUT
- 13 A COMMUNITY CENTER. 400 YEARS AGO THERE WAS A COMMUNITY CENTER
- 14 ALL OVER THIS LAND IN EVERY TERRITORY. TODAY THERE'S NONE. THE
- 15 BLACK PEOPLE IN THIS LAND ARE HOMELESSLY WALKING LIKE ZOMBIES.
- 16 AND A YOUNG LADY GAVE BIRTH TO SOME TWINS AND THEY CAME AND
- 17 BROUGHT IT TO MY ATTENTION THAT THEY TOOK HER CHILDREN BECAUSE
- 18 SHE'S HOMELESS. WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE BLACK PEOPLE
- 19 THAT ARE HERE. THESE CHILDREN ARE SUFFERING FROM EFFECTS OF
- 20 SLAVERY. COMING OUT OF FOSTER CARE WITH NO COMMUNITY CENTER,
- 21 NO HOME, NO FAMILY, NO MOTHER, NO FATHER, AND BASICALLY WHAT
- 22 ARE WE TALKING ABOUT? THE SUN IS HERE TO DESTROY THE WHOLE
- 23 EARTH BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GIVING BACK WHAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO AND
- 24 THE LORD SAID, MY WORD IS NOT COMING BACK VOID. SO WHAT IS THE



1 COMMUNITY CENTER FOR EVERYBODY IF THE WORLD IS BEING BURNED UP

2 BY THE SUN?

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SANDRA KO?

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- 6 SANDRA KO: I'D LIKE TO GIVE MY TIME TO CAROLINE SIM. THANK
- 7 YOU.

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- 9 CAROLINE SIM: THANK YOU. HI AGAIN. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE
- 10 OVER 150 PEOPLE WHO CAME OUT FOR KOREATOWN AND SOME FOLKS HAD
- 11 TO LEAVE BUT IT WAS REALLY DIFFICULT FOR THE YOUTH AND THE
- 12 SENIORS ESPECIALLY. SO THANK YOU, GUYS. HUGS. I ALSO WANT TO
- 13 THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S STAFF FOR MAKING US FEEL SO WELCOME
- 14 AND CARED FOR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO MEGAN, KEANDRA AND OF
- 15 COURSE CINDY, AS WELL, MICHAEL FOR ALL THE TRANSLATION
- 16 EQUIPMENT. THANK YOU GUYS. SO IN CLOSING I DON'T KNOW IF THERE
- 17 ARE ANY OTHER FOLKS THE TWO ITEMS I WANTED TO REALLY, REALLY
- 18 EMPHASIZE FOR ITEM 1-D IS, ONE, COMMUNITY OUTREACH DURING THE
- 19 PREDEVELOPMENT PROCESS, ESPECIALLY SINCE DOUG COHEN SAID IT ON
- 20 THE PHONE. I SHOULD HAVE RECORDED HIM. NUMBER TWO IS THE
- 21 DEVELOPMENT TEAM TO REALLY SERIOUSLY LOOK AT THE CHATEAU
- 22 PARKING GARAGE OPTION SINCE THE FINANCING AND THE LOCATION IS
- 23 SO OPTIMAL. THANK YOU SO MUCH. SI, SE PUEDE, PAI TING.
- 24 [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
- 2 THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? AND THEN I HAVE A FEW
- 3 QUESTIONS FOR STAFF. IF I CAN-- I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THIS
- 4 IS A HUGE COUNTY FACILITY. AND OBVIOUSLY A BIG ECONOMIC
- 5 DEVELOPMENT PROJECT WITH WHAT I BELIEVE MANY, MANY BENEFITS.
- 6 THERE ARE A LOT OF SIGNIFICANT THINGS THAT ARE DESCRIBED
- 7 COMMUNITY BENEFITS IN THE BOARD LETTER. AND I DID HAVE A FEW
- 8 QUESTIONS THAT I WANTED TO ASK OUR STAFF. THE REASON WHY I'M
- 9 RAISING THIS IS BECAUSE WE DID GET CALLS. OUR DISTRICT IS VERY
- 10 CLOSE, ADJACENT TO THIS AREA, THE WESTLAKE, MACARTHUR PARK
- 11 AREA AND OTHERS AND WE HEARD TIME AND TIME AGAIN AND WE KNOW
- 12 THIS IS A FACT, THAT WE DO NEED MORE SPACE. PARKS, RECREATION.
- 13 THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT. BUT THIS PROJECT, I KNOW, IS
- 14 UNDERWAY. AND I JUST HAD A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. IF I CAN ASK
- 15 MR. ROGAN IF THERE IS A PLAN FOR HOW THE COMMUNITY CENTER WILL
- 16 BE USED AND WHO WILL OPERATE IT. AND WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR
- 17 DETERMINING THAT?

- 19 SEAN ROGAN: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO AT THIS STAGE WHAT WE'RE
- 20 ASKING FOR TODAY WITH YOUR BOARD'S ACTION IS TO APPROVE THIS
- 21 PREDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH A DEVELOPMENT TEAM. AND DURING
- 22 THESE NEXT 21 MONTHS, WE WOULD THEN BE NEGOTIATING SOME OF
- 23 THESE SPECIFIC TERMS. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, AS IT RELATES
- 24 SPECIFICALLY TO SITE 3, WE DO HAVE IDENTIFIED AS PART OF THAT
- 25 DEVELOPMENT TEAM, M.E.T.A. HOUSING WILL BE THE NONPROFIT. AS



- 1 PART OF THIS PREDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND AS M.E.T.A. HOUSING
- 2 LOOKS TOWARDS THE FINANCING. AFFORDABLE HOUSING SITE AS WELL
- 3 AS THE COMMUNITY CENTER, WE WOULD BE WORKING WITH THEM TO FIND
- 4 OUT WHO THEIR SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE GOING TO BE, BECAUSE KEEP
- 5 IN MIND AS MENTIONED, THIS 72-UNIT PROJECT IS ALSO GOING TO
- 6 SERVE SPECIAL NEEDS AND HOMELESS HOUSING INDIVIDUALS. IT WILL
- 7 ALSO INCLUDE WRAP-AROUND HOUSING. AND AS PART OF THE
- 8 NEGOTIATIONS DURING THESE NEXT 21 MONTHS, WE WOULD THEN ALSO
- 9 INCLUDE A COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMPONENT PIECE TO DESCRIBE THE
- 10 TYPE OF SERVICES, NOT ONLY TO SERVE THE SENIORS BUT ALSO THE
- 11 SERVICES TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY. AS ALSO MENTIONED, YOU HAD AN
- 12 AGREEMENT WITH THE Y.M.C.A. TO OPERATE A SATELLITE OFFICE AT
- 13 THIS FACILITY. AT THIS POINT IN TIME IT'S IN THE FORM OF AN
- 14 M.O.U. IT'S SOMEWHAT PREMATURE IN THE PROCESS, BUT I THINK
- 15 THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT TEAM HAS DONE A GOOD JOB IN TERMS OF
- 16 TRYING TO BE RESPONSIVE TO SOME OF THE COMMUNITY NEEDS, WHICH
- 17 INCLUDED AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND INCLUDED A COMMUNITY CENTER.
- 18 AND FOR THAT, THEY HAD IDENTIFIED THE Y.M.C.A. TO BE THAT
- 19 SERVICE PROVIDER. DURING THIS TIME PERIOD AGAIN, WE'LL ALSO
- 20 LOOK FOR THAT SPECIFIC TYPE OF SERVICES. AND IT'S GOING TO BE
- 21 IN CONJUNCTION WITH AND INCLUDING OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY SO
- 22 THAT THE PROPER PROGRAMMING CAN BE PERFORMED.

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24 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO IN EFFECT IT CAN BE EXPANDED IN

25 TERMS OF THE INVOLVEMENT OF NONPROFITS? I MEAN, THAT'S THE



- 1 IDEA HERE. TO GIVE THEIR VOICES AND HOPEFULLY ADDRESS SOME OF
- 2 THEIR CONCERNS THAT PERHAPS MAY NOT HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED IN
- 3 WHATEVER WAY?

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- 5 SEAN ROGAN: THAT'S CORRECT. WE JUST HAVEN'T GOTTEN TO THAT
- 6 PHASE OF THE PROJECT YET.

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- 8 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AND THEN THE SECOND QUESTION I HAVE
- 9 IS, I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT WE ARE DOING AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR
- 10 SENIORS. THAT'S A BIG PRIORITY FOR I THINK THE COUNTY AND
- 11 PARTICULARLY ON SITE 3. AND KNOWING THAT THERE'S MUCH
- 12 OPPORTUNITY THERE, I BELIEVE. I THINK YOU MENTIONED THAT THERE
- 13 IS A NONPROFIT SERVICE PROVIDER THAT WILL BE IDENTIFIED TO
- 14 HELP PROVIDE THE SERVICES TO THE SENIORS? THAT'S SOMETHING
- 15 THAT WILL BE LOOKED AT?

- 17 SEAN ROGAN: AS IT RELATES -- WELL, THERE'S TWO COMPONENT
- 18 PIECES. M.E.T.A. HOUSING IS THE NONPROFIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- 19 PARTNER IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT TEAM. THEY WILL
- 20 OWN AND OPERATE THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING SITE. GIVEN THE NEED
- 21 FOR WRAPAROUND HOUSING FOR THE SPECIAL NEEDS COMPONENT, IN
- 22 TERMS OF THE HOMELESS, THE MENTALLY ILL AND THE GENERAL SENIOR
- 23 POPULATION, THEY WILL BE DOING OUTREACH TO FIND THE
- 24 APPROPRIATE SERVICE PROVIDERS IN THAT REGARD. AS PART OF THIS
- 25 DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, THEY WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A



- 1 SERVICE PLAN. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, THE Y.M.C.A. HAS BEEN
- 2 IDENTIFIED TO OPERATE THE COMMUNITY CENTER. THEY WILL NEED TO
- 3 THEN WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY TO THEN FIGURE OUT THE
- 4 PROGRAMMING, WHETHER IT BE PROGRAMMING FOR AFTERSCHOOL YOUTH,
- 5 WHETHER IT BE PROGRAMMING FOR DIFFERENT SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES,
- 6 WHETHER IT BE PROGRAMMING FOR SENIORS, THAT IS AN ADDITIONAL
- 7 COMMUNITY OUTREACH PIECE THAT THEY WILL NEED TO PERFORM SO
- 8 THAT PROGRAMMING CAN BE DIRECTED SPECIFIC TO THIS COMMUNITY.

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- 10 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE DID HEAR QUITE A BIT FROM YOUNG
- 11 STUDENTS LOOKING AT POTENTIAL ABILITY TO BE A PART OF AN
- 12 ORCHESTRA AND CONTINUING THAT INVOLVEMENT. I'M SURE THAT WOULD
- 13 BE A PART OF THIS EFFORT TO ADDRESS THE YOUTH AND THOSE
- 14 ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD HELP EXTEND THE ARTS.

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- 16 SEAN ROGAN: YEAH, AND, AGAIN, IF THIS MOVES FORWARD TODAY,
- 17 THEN OVER THE COURSE OF THE NEXT 21 MONTHS, THESE PROGRAMMING
- 18 COMPONENT PIECES WILL BE SOLVED.

- 20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. AND THEN QUESTIONS FOR DAVID
- 21 HOWARD. SINCE THE PROJECT INVOLVES NOT ONLY THE CREATION OF A
- 22 NEW PUBLIC HEALTH HEADQUARTERS, I ALSO WANTED TO ASK ABOUT
- 23 WHAT WILL HAPPEN WITH THE STAFF THERE? IS IT MY UNDERSTANDING
- 24 THAT WE HAVE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMUNITY SERVICES THAT ARE
- 25 ALSO GOING TO BE PLANNED TO BE LOCATED HERE?



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2 DAVID HOWARD: CORRECT. THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IS THAT STAFF OR HEADQUARTERS?

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- 6 DAVID HOWARD: LET ME WALK YOU THROUGH IT. WE HAVE THE PARKS
- 7 HEADOUARTERS IS THERE WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THE PROPERTIES.
- 8 THE PARKS DEPARTMENT, AS THEY ARE THERE, ARE ACTUALLY IN TWO
- 9 DIFFERENT BUILDINGS. THE INTENT IS THAT THEY WILL BE
- 10 RELOCATED. THE FIRST BUILDING IS ACTUALLY AFFECTED BY THE
- 11 FIRST PHASE OF CONSTRUCTION. SO WE'RE WORKING TODAY ON OPTIONS
- 12 TO LEASE A NEW LOCATION THAT WE WOULD RELOCATE THE ENTIRE
- 13 PARKS DEPARTMENT. THE SECOND DEPARTMENT THAT'S THERE IS
- 14 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES.

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- 16 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THEY'LL GO SOMEWHERE ELSE IS WHAT I'M
- 17 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND.

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- 19 DAVID HOWARD: THEY WILL BE INTO LEASED SPACE. THEN COMMUNITY
- 20 AND SENIOR SERVICES HAS THEIR HEADQUARTERS THERE, AS WELL.
- 21 THEY'RE NOT AFFECTED BY THE FIRST PHASE OF CONSTRUCTION. SO
- 22 WE'RE LOOKING RIGHT NOW IF WE COULD FIND A SUITABLE COUNTY-
- 23 OWNED BUILDING INTO WHICH WE COULD RELOCATE THEM.

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25 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SOMEWHERE ELSE?



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2 DAVID HOWARD: SOMEWHERE ELSE, OUT OF THE AREA.

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- 4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I'M ONLY ASKING THAT BECAUSE I WASN'T
- 5 CLEAR IN THE LETTER AND MY STAFF AND I WERE TRYING TO FIGURE
- 6 THAT OUT. SO THAT WAS A CLARIFICATION I WANTED TO RECEIVE.

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- 8 DAVID HOWARD: AND THEN MENTAL HEALTH OBVIOUSLY WOULD STAY
- 9 WHERE THEY ARE.

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11 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: IT'S MENTAL HEALTH, NOT PUBLIC HEALTH.

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13 DAVID HOWARD: CORRECT.

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- 15 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AND THEN FINALLY KOREATOWN COMMUNITY
- 16 MEMBERS HAVE REACHED OUT, AS YOU KNOW, TO I KNOW AT LEAST MY
- 17 OFFICE. AND SO I'M JUST WONDERING WHAT KIND OF COMMUNITY
- 18 OUTREACH EFFORT, REALLY, WILL WE HAVE MOVING FORWARD? WE HEARD
- 19 A LOT ABOUT THE NEED TO DO THAT.

- 21 SEAN ROGAN: NO, CERTAINLY IF I CAN JUST PROVIDE A BRIEF
- 22 OVERVIEW. YOU KNOW, WHEN THE PROJECT WAS ORIGINALLY
- 23 CONSIDERED, IT WAS LOOKING AT BUILDING OFFICE SPACE SPECIFIC
- 24 TO D.M.H. AND WHEN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THE C.E.O.
- 25 CAME TOGETHER TO LOOK AT OUR ALHAMBRA MODEL AS DIRECTED BY



- 1 YOUR BOARD, WE ACTUALLY LOOKED AT THE ENTIRETY OF VERMONT
- 2 CORRIDOR TO SEE WHAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER PUBLIC
- 3 BENEFITS USES MIGHT BE ACHIEVED. AND THEN BEFORE THAT, WE WENT
- 4 OUT TO THE INDUSTRY, TO THE EXPERTS AND SAID, "LOOK, IF WE
- 5 PROVIDE THREE SITES, ONE SITE THAT NEEDS TO BE HEADQUARTERS
- 6 FOR D.M.H., WHAT WOULD YOU PROPOSE TO BUILD?" AS RECOMMENDED
- 7 HERE, YOU HAVE THE D.M.H. HEADQUARTERS, YOU HAVE THE ADAPTED
- 8 REUSE, MARKET RATE RESIDENTIAL. BUT THEN IN PART DUE TO
- 9 COMMENTS MADE FROM THE PUBLIC, YOU HAD THE AFFORDABLE SENIOR
- 10 HOUSING OF 72 UNITS AND THE COMMUNITY CENTER. AND I THINK THAT
- 11 IN REGARDS TO WHERE WE'VE COME TODAY FROM WHERE WE WERE
- 12 SEVERAL YEARS AGO, THAT'S A REMARKABLE MOVEMENT IN TERMS OF
- 13 LOOKING AT A COMMUNITY BENEFIT ON SITE 3. NOW, AS IT RELATES
- 14 TO COMMUNITY OUTREACH NOW MOVING FORWARD, IF THIS ITEM IS
- 15 APPROVED, WE WILL THEN BE HAVING STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS BOTH
- 16 INTERNALLY WITH THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS EXTERNALLY
- 17 WITH THE COMMUNITY IN TERMS OF LOOKING AT THE TYPE OF
- 18 PROGRAMMING AND SERVICES AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE THAT WE'LL
- 19 HAVE BOTH AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER AS WELL AS AT THE SENIOR
- 20 HOUSING CENTER.

- 22 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I JUST HAVE ONE MORE ITEM. WHAT I'D
- 23 LIKE TO SAY IS THAT RIGHT NOW, WE'VE BEEN ENTERING INTO MANY
- 24 AGREEMENTS TO DEVELOP PROPERTIES THAT THE COUNTY HAS. I THINK
- 25 WE'RE SETTING A GOOD PRECEDENT IN THAT SOME OF US ARE REALLY



- 1 CONCERNED ABOUT MAKING SURE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IS A
- 2 PRIORITY. AND I KNOW-- AND I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THAT'S THE
- 3 DIRECTION THAT WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO GO. AND I KNOW AT
- 4 THIS TIME THAT WE'RE WAITING ALSO A BOARD ITEM THAT WAS
- 5 PRESENTED BACK IN DECEMBER ON THE BIOSCIENCE HUBS AND THAT
- 6 DEVELOPMENT. AND WE'RE WAITING FOR A REPORT BACK FROM THE
- 7 C.E.O.'S OFFICE ON COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION. AND I'D LIKE TO BE
- 8 ABLE TO GET THAT, GET THAT SO THAT WE CAN ALSO LOOK AT WHAT
- 9 THAT MEANS IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE DOING IN THE BIOSCIENCE AS
- 10 WE CONDUCT THESE PROJECTS, HOW FULLY ARE WE ENGAGED WITH OUR
- 11 COMMUNITY PARTNERS? I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. SO I'D
- 12 LIKE TO SUBMIT FOR CONSIDERATION TO THE BOARD THAT BASED ON
- 13 THE LESSONS OF THIS PROJECT HERE TODAY THAT WE'RE TALKING
- 14 ABOUT, I'D ALSO LIKE TO PROPOSE THAT THE C.E.O. AND C.D.C.
- 15 JOINTLY RETURN TO THE BOARD IN 60 DAYS WITH A REPORT ON BEST
- 16 PRACTICES FOR COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN COUNTY ECONOMIC
- 17 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS MOVING FORWARD. IT'S SOMETHING THAT SOME
- 18 OF US I STRONGLY BELIEVE IN BUT I THINK IT HAS TO BE STATED
- 19 FOR THE RECORD. AND WE REALLY HAVE TO I THINK DO A BETTER JOB
- 20 OF JUST INFORMING THE PUBLIC THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE DO
- 21 CARE ABOUT. SO IF THERE ISN'T ANY OBJECTION TO THAT. YES. IS
- 22 THERE ANY OBJECTION TO ADOPTION OF THIS RECOMMENDATION? OKAY,
- 23 VERY GOOD. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THE COMMUNITY WAS HERE MONTHS AGO TALKING
- 2 ABOUT THE CULTURAL CENTER AND THE SIZE AND THAT. HAVE THEY
- 3 BEEN ENGAGED FROM THE BEGINNING AS TO THOSE PRIORITIES OR THAT
- 4 NOW THEY'RE JUST GOING BECOME ENGAGED WITH THIS OUTREACH?

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- 6 SEAN ROGAN: WHEN YOUR BOARD APPROVED THE ISSUANCE OF THE
- 7 R.F.P., THERE WAS SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT WITH
- 8 THE COMMUNITY AND SPECIFIC WITH THE KOREATOWN COMMUNITY IN
- 9 REGARDS TO A COMMUNITY CENTER, AS WELL AS WITH THE AFFORDABLE
- 10 HOUSING ADVOCATES WHO HAD ALSO ASKED FOR CONSIDERATION,
- 11 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO THERE HAS BEEN DIALOGUE WITH BOTH
- 12 GROUPS IN TERMS OF WANTING TO HAVE INCLUDED AS PART OF THAT
- 13 R.F.P. A PUBLIC BENEFIT WHICH COULD INCLUDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- 14 AND/OR COMMUNITY CENTER. SO THE ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION IS
- 15 YES, THERE HAS BEEN ENGAGEMENT AND CONVERSATION.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: BUT WHEN THEY WERE IN MY OFFICE, THEY
- 18 INDICATED THERE WAS NOT THE OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY THAT
- 19 THEY WANTED TO BE INVOLVED WITH IN DETERMINING THE CULTURAL
- 20 CENTER AND THEIR INVOLVEMENT. SO WHY IS THERE A DISCONNECT?

- 22 SEAN ROGAN: I THINK WHERE THE POTENTIAL DISCONNECT IS THEY
- 23 WANTED A 40,000 SQUARE FOOT COMMUNITY CENTER. AND WHEN YOU
- 24 LOOK AT SITE 3, THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING SITE AND THE COMMUNITY
- 25 CENTER, THAT IS GOING TO BE PRIVATELY FINANCED, OWNED AND



- 1 OPERATED. SO THERE ISN'T GOING TO BE A COUNTY COST FOR THAT
- 2 DEVELOPMENT. AND AS PART OF THIS PROCESS, YOU KNOW AS I
- 3 MENTIONED BEFORE, WE ASKED THE INDUSTRY IN TERMS OF THESE
- 4 POTENTIAL THREE SITES WHAT THEY FELT WOULD BE BEST FROM A
- 5 BLIGHT REMOVAL BUILDING, A D.M.H. HEADQUARTER AND AN ECONOMIC
- 6 BENEFIT. AND PRIOR TO THAT RELEASE, THERE WERE ALSO
- 7 CONVERSATIONS HERE AT THIS BOARD WHERE THERE WAS DISCUSSIONS
- 8 ABOUT INCLUDING A COMMUNITY CENTER AS WELL AS A NEED FOR
- 9 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO THAT WAS WRITTEN IN PART TO THE R.F.P.
- 10 AND THEN WHAT CAME OUT WAS THE 72 UNITS SENIOR AND SPECIAL
- 11 NEEDS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ALONG WITH THE COMMUNITY CENTER, BUT
- 12 NOT A 40,000 SQUARE FOOT COMMUNITY CENTER.

14 SUP. ANTONOVICH: BUT AT THE BEGINNING WERE THEY INVOLVED IN

15 COMING UP WITH THOSE PROPOSALS?

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MADAME CHAIR?** 

19 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

- 21 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: REQUESTS WERE MADE OF MY OFFICE. WE MET ON
- 22 MORE THAN ONE OCCASION. AND THE PROPOSAL THAT WAS ULTIMATELY
- 23 PLACED FOR BID INCLUDED THAT INPUT. PRIOR TO THAT, THERE WOULD
- 24 NOT HAVE BEEN A COMMUNITY CENTER. AND EACH OF THE BIDDERS HAD
- 25 TO ADDRESS THAT IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER. THAT WAS DIRECTLY



- 1 CONNECTED TO ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF SOME OF THOSE WHO HAVE
- 2 EXPRESSED THEMSELVES TODAY. AND SO THERE ARE A COUPLE OF
- 3 THINGS THAT APPLY HERE, THE FIRST WHICH IS: THE CAPACITY TO
- 4 SUSTAIN A COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THAT USE. NOT IN TERMS OF
- 5 MARKET DEMAND BUT IN TERMS OF THE PROVISION OF THE SERVICES TO
- 6 ACCOMMODATE IT. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT YOU CAN MAKE ALL THOSE
- 7 THINGS HAPPEN, A TRIED, TRUE, TESTED PROVIDER HAD TO BE
- 8 IDENTIFIED. THEY ULTIMATELY IDENTIFIED THE "Y." THE "Y" IS ON
- 9 THE HOOK TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES. PROVIDING SERVICES FOR
- 10 12,500 SQUARE FEET IS ONE PROPOSITION. TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO
- 11 SUSTAIN A FACILITY THAT IS THREE TIMES THAT MUCH IS ANOTHER
- 12 PROPOSITION ALTOGETHER. THIS IS ESSENTIALLY ABOUT TRYING TO
- 13 BRING TOGETHER THE CAPACITY OF THE PROVIDER TO MEET THE DEMAND
- 14 OF THE COMMUNITY. AND WHEN I SAY DEMAND, I JUST SIMPLY MEAN
- 15 THE USE IN TERMS OF ACCOMMODATING THE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE IN THE
- 16 SPACE. AND I'M SPEAKING DENSITY WHEN I SAY DEMAND, NOT A
- 17 POLITICAL DEMAND AS SUCH. AND SO WE'VE TRIED TO BE ATTENTIVE
- 18 WITH THAT WITHOUT DIRECTING THE RESPONSE SO THAT WHAT'S BEFORE
- 19 US TODAY IS AFTER THE BID WENT OUT, THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- 20 COMMISSION SCRUBBED ALL OF THOSE, AND THERE WERE, HOW MANY?
- 21 FIVE. AND THIS IS THE BEST PACKAGE THAT CAME FORTH. A LOT OF
- 22 DUE DILIGENCE. INITIAL RECOMMENDATION, GOING BACK AND
- 23 NEGOTIATING TO FIGURE IT. NOW IT COMES TO US FOR OUR
- 24 DISPOSITION. HAD BEEN COMMUNITY INPUT. WILL BE COMMUNITY
- 25 INPUT. CONSIDER THIS PHASE 1. AS I HAVE SAID AND I WILL SAY



- 1 AGAIN, THE 12,500 COULD EASILY BE PHASE ONE JUST AS PHASE ONE
- 2 RELATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. WE'VE ALREADY
- 3 COMMUNICATED THAT THE BUSINESS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
- 4 AND RECREATION HAS NOT BEEN EXHAUSTED. THE BUSINESS WITH
- 5 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES HAS NOT BEEN EXHAUSTED. THESE
- 6 ARE MOVING FORWARD IN TERMS OF PHASES OF THE PROJECT. WHAT IS
- 7 BEING ACCOMPLISHED HERE IS THE ACCOMMODATION OF APPROPRIATE
- 8 COMMUNITY REQUESTS AND COLLABORATION FOR PUBLIC/PRIVATE
- 9 PARTICIPATION. WE'D LIKE TO ENCOURAGE MORE PARTICIPATION ON
- 10 THE PART OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AS THIS IS WITHIN THE
- 11 CONFINES OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND SO THERE ARE A LOT OF
- 12 PIECES BEING WORKED THROUGH HERE. BUT THE BIG MESSAGE IN TERMS
- 13 OF PROGRESS IS THIS: THERE WILL NO LONGER BE THOSE BLIGHTED
- 14 BUILDINGS ESSENTIALLY DISCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT ON THE PART OF
- 15 THE PRIVATE SECTOR. THERE WILL NO LONGER BE THESE TERRIBLE
- 16 FACILITIES WHERE OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAVE TO WORK AND OUR
- 17 CONSTITUENTS HAVE TO THEN SEEK SERVICES. RED TAG BUILDINGS IS
- 18 NOT JUST THE IDEA FOR WHAT I HAVE FOR WHAT THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 19 ANGELES OUGHT TO BE ABOUT. SO BIG NEWS IN TERMS OF PROGRESS ON
- 20 THAT FRONT. AND THE ADDITIONAL THINGS ARE ADDED AND
- 21 APPROPRIATELY SO. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I HOPE THAT HELPS IN
- 22 TERMS OF CLARIFICATION OF THE QUESTIONS THAT YOU WERE POSING.

24 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THANK YOU.

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1 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: DO YOU WANT TO CLOSE?

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- 3 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: WITH YOUR PERMISSION, I THINK I JUST DID
- 4 CLOSE. [LAUGHTER.] I WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO THE COMMUNITY
- 5 AT LARGE FOR STAYING ON THE CASE AND ATTENDING TO THIS
- 6 PROJECT. [APPLAUSE.] THIS IS ROUND ONE. WE HAVE A LOT MORE TO
- 7 DO. AND I WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOUR PARTICIPATION. CELEBRATE YOUR
- 8 VICTORY IN THE APPROPRIATE WAY. 12,000 SQUARE FEET FOR A
- 9 COMMUNITY CENTER PLUS THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE WITH
- 10 AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR SENIORS, THAT'S A BIG-TICKET ITEM. AND
- 11 WE WILL DO MORE. COUNT ON IT. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS
- 12 OF THE BOARD. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 14 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I JUST WANT TO ALSO REITERATE, WE DO
- 15 WANT A REPORT BACK BECAUSE I DID READ THAT IN. THANK YOU. VERY
- 16 GOOD. THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS. OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 17 THOMAS. SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE
- 18 ORDER AS WRITTEN.

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20 SUP RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU.

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- 22 SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NOW, MOVING ON TO
- 23 ITEM NO. 13. DON KNABE. THIS IS YOUR ITEM. RANCHO LOS AMIGOS.



- 1 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I KNOW THERE IS A LOT OF
- 2 HAPPY FOLKS. [GAVEL.]

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE: JUST AS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS MENTIONED, WITH
- 7 THE VERMONT CORRIDOR PROJECT, I, TOO, WANT TO THANK THE C.E.O.
- 8 AS I MENTIONED EARLIER AND THE C.D.C. AND OTHERS THAT ARE
- 9 PUTTING THIS PROPOSED PROGRAM TOGETHER. AND AGAIN JUST LIKE
- 10 THE OTHER PROJECT IS STEP ONE OF A VERY ARE GREAT EFFORT ON
- 11 BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO ESTABLISH CENTERS OF
- 12 EXCELLENCE FOR OUR COUNTY FAMILY AND FOR THE CITIZENS THAT
- 13 HAVE TO VISIT OUR FACILITIES. I THINK THERE ARE A FEW FOLKS
- 14 THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. AND I WOULD ASK THAT THEY DO
- 15 THAT. AND THEN IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS, WE CAN GO FROM
- 16 THERE.

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- 18 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE 11 SPEAKERS. SO WE ARE GOING
- 19 TO GO WITH THE 90 SECONDS. YEAH, MINUTE AND A HALF.

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- 21 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, LET'S CALL UP THE SPEAKERS.
- 22 SHAWN ASHTON. FERNANDO VASQUEZ. LUIS MARQUEZ. ALEX SAAB.

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24 SUP. KNABE: DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL IS IN THE HOUSE.



SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY.

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3 ALEX SAAB: GOOD AFTERNOON.

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5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WELCOME.

- 7 ALEX SAAB: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ALEX SAAB AND I'M THE
- 8 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY. I'M PLEASED TO BE HERE TO SUPPORT
- 9 THIS ITEM, THE PROPOSED RANCHO LOS AMIGOS SOUTH CAMPUS
- 10 PROJECT. AS YOU'RE AWARE, MASTER PLANNING PROJECT FOR THIS
- 11 PROCESS HAS BEEN MORE THAN A DECADE IN THE WORKS. AND THE
- 12 RESIDENTS OF DOWNEY ARE VERY EXCITED TO LEARN WHAT WILL BECOME
- 13 OF ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING UNDEVELOPED PARCELS IN OUR COUNTY.
- 14 WE'RE FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF THE EFFICIENCIES AFFORDED BY THE
- 15 CONSOLIDATION OF VARIOUS OFFICES ONTO THE PROPERTY. WE BELIEVE
- 16 THAT THE PRESENCE OF ADDITIONAL LIVING WAGE OWNERS IN OUR
- 17 REGION IS A STRONG MOTIVATOR AND ECONOMIC DRIVER IN OUR ENTIRE
- 18 REGION WHICH SUFFERS FROM HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT, LOW EDUCATIONAL
- 19 OUTCOMES AND SOME POOR PUBLIC HEALTH ATTRIBUTES. THE REGION IS
- 20 A PRIME LOCATION WITHIN A DENSELY POPULATED ETHNICALLY DIVERSE
- 21 AREA WITH A GROWING LABOR FORCE, SERVED BY FOUR FREEWAYS AND A
- 22 PROPOSED MASS TRANSIT LINE. THIS COULD POTENTIALLY SERVE AS A
- 23 RESURGENCE OF A HISTORICALLY BLIGHTED AREA WHICH COULD SERVE
- 24 EVENTUALLY, POTENTIALLY, FOR AN OLYMPIC TRIAL FIELD. IN
- 25 CONCLUSION, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.



- 1 APPROVAL WOULD MAKE AN ENORMOUS IMPACT IN OUR REGION, IN AN
- 2 AREA THAT NEEDS MANY JOBS, ECONOMIC, DEVELOPMENT AND MORE
- 3 IMPORTANTLY, HOPE FOR MANY IN OUR AREA. THIS IS A PERFECT
- 4 MARRIAGE BETWEEN MASS TRANSIT, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND OPEN
- 5 SPACE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

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7 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. NEXT SPEAKER?

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- 9 FERNANDO VASQUEZ: MADAME CHAIR, GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS
- 10 FERNANDO VASQUEZ. MAYOR PRO TEM FOR THE CITY OF DOWNEY, AND I
- 11 WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE
- 12 OUR THOUGHTS WITH YOU TODAY. THIS PROJECT IS PART OF A
- 13 MULTISPORTS COMPLEX WHICH IS PIVOTAL FOR OUR REGIONAL ECONOMY.
- 14 THIS PROJECT WILL GIVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR KIDS TO BE ABLE TO
- 15 TAKE PART IN SOMETHING THAT'S PART OF A BIGGER PROJECT. WE'RE
- 16 ASKING KIDS TO BE INVOLVED IN SPORTS, IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
- 17 IN ORDER TO STAY OUT OF TROUBLE. AND THIS PROJECT WILL PROVIDE
- 18 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS BOARD TO CEMENT ITSELF IN LEGACY FOR
- 19 THE LONG-STANDING FOR MULTIPLE GENERATIONS TO COME. WE'RE
- 20 ASKING THIS BOARD TO PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING THIS PROJECT
- 21 SO WE'RE ABLE TO MAKE THIS REGION A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT, A
- 22 REALITY FOR STUDENTS, FOR CHILDREN OF OUR REGION. THANK YOU,
- 23 MADAME CHAIR.

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25 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.



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2 LUIS MARQUEZ: MADAME CHAIR, LOUISE MARQUEZ, COUNCILMEMBER CITY

- 3 OF DOWNEY. I WANT TO ECHO WHAT MY COLLEAGUES SAID THE COUNTY
- 4 LOOKS FOR HIGHEST BEST FOR THE RANCHO LOS AMIGOS SOUTH CAMPUS
- 5 PROPERTY. I WOULD URGE YOU THE BOARD TO CONSIDER THE
- 6 SUBSTANTIAL ECONOMIC, HEALTH AND QUALITY OF LIFE BENEFITS THE
- 7 PROPOSED PROJECT WILL BRING TO OUR REGION, THE GATEWAY CITIES
- 8 REGION. WHERE THE COUNTY'S PARK MASTER PLAN RECOMMENDS 4 ACRES
- 9 OF PARK LAND PER 1,000 PEOPLE, THE HALF MILE SURROUNDING THE
- 10 PROPOSED FACILITY HAS 0 ACRES OF PARK LAND AT THIS TIME. OUR
- 11 REGION IS PARK POOR. THERE ARE NO STATE-OF-THE-ARTS SPORTS
- 12 COMPLEXES FOR OUR ENTIRE REGION. OUR REGION DESERVES TO HAVE A
- 13 STATE-OF-THE-ART OPEN SPACE SPORTS COMPLEX. OUR YOUTH DESERVE
- 14 IT. AND WE ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THIS PROJECT AND FOR OUR YOUTH
- 15 AND FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR REGION. THANK YOU.

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17 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 19 SHAWN ASHTON: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SHAWN ASHTON. I'M
- 20 COUNCILMEMBER FOR THE CITY OF DOWNEY. WHEN I RAN FOR CITY
- 21 COUNCIL TWO YEARS AGO ONE OF THE BIGGEST CONCERNS THAT I HAD
- 22 WHEN I WAS WALKING DOOR-TO-DOOR TALKING TO THE RESIDENTS OF
- 23 DISTRICT 2, WHICH IS WHERE THIS COMPLEX IS AT, THEY WANTED TO
- 24 KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON WITH THE AREA SOUTH OF THE COURTHOUSE,
- 25 WHICH IS WHAT YOU GUYS ADDRESS AS THE SOUTH CAMPUS OF RANCHO



- 1 LOS AMIGOS. THEY WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FACT THAT IT'S BEEN
- 2 BLIGHTED FOR OVER 20 YEARS, THAT IT'S AN AREA THAT HAS BEEN
- 3 NEGLECTED BY THE COUNTY. ALL THERE ARE RIGHT NOW ARE BOARDED
- 4 UP EMPTY BUNGALOWS WHERE YOU HAVE A LOT OF FERAL CATS. AND
- 5 THAT CREATES ISSUES WITH COYOTES THAT COME INTO THE AREA AND
- 6 GET INTO THE OTHER PARTS OF THE RESIDENCE, PART OF THE
- 7 RESIDENTIAL AREAS. THIS IS AN AREA THAT CAN BE USED FOR
- 8 SOMETHING MUCH BETTER. AND THIS REGIONAL SPORTS COMPLEX IS
- 9 SOMETHING THAT WILL DO THAT. AS A TEACHER FOR L.A. UNIFIED
- 10 SCHOOL DISTRICT, I SEE STUDENTS THAT I DEAL WITH IN THE CITY
- 11 OF MAYWOOD, WHERE THEY HAVE A PASSION TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE
- 12 ACTIVITIES. BUT BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF RESOURCES AND LACK OF
- 13 FACILITIES, THOSE PASSIONS TEND TO GO AWAY. TO SUMMARIZE I
- 14 SUPPORT THIS PROJECT, NOT BECAUSE IT'S IN MY DISTRICT IN THE
- 15 CITY OF DOWNEY BUT IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO FOR THE CHILDREN
- 16 OF THE GATEWAY REGION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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- 18 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. WE'LL CALL UP
- 19 ROWLAND RODRIGUEZ. XOL GUERRERO. JESSICA GUARDADO. NELSON
- 20 MANCIA. BRIAN FALCON. MAZEN ALSHEKH. AND SHELIAH WARD. GO
- 21 AHEAD. GO AHEAD. STATE YOUR NAME PLEASE.

- 23 ROWLAND RODR GUEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M ROWLAND
- 24 RODRIGUEZ FROM DOWNEY, REPRESENTING DOWNEY A.Y.S.O. WE ALL
- 25 CURRENTLY PLAYING/PRACTICING IN SCHOOLS. OUR PARKS ARE NOT BIG



- 1 ENOUGH. ANOTHER ISSUE IS SAFETY, BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF
- 2 SMALL PEBBLES AND SMALL THORNS IN THE GRASS THAT POPS OUR
- 3 SOCCER BALLS. NOT ONLY THAT BUT CUTS OUR LEGS, AS WELL. WE ALL
- 4 WANT BETTER SOCCER FIELDS WHERE WE CAN IMPROVE OUR SKILLS. I
- 5 HOPE YOU WILL PASS THIS ITEM BECAUSE IT WILL BE GOOD FOR THE
- 6 FUTURE. THANK YOU.

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8 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT?

10 JESSICA GUARDADO: HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME THE JESSICA AND

- 11 I'M 13 YEARS OLD AND I'VE BEEN PLAYING AT A.Y.S.O. FOR SIX
- 12 YEARS. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE RANCHO SOCCER FIELD. IT WOULD
- 13 HELP THE COMMUNITY AND STOP KIDS FROM BEING ON THE STREETS AND
- 14 DOING BAD THINGS AND HAVE THEM IN SPORTS AND CAN BE EARNING
- 15 SCHOLARSHIPS. THANK YOU.

17 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

- 19 XOL GUERRERO: HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS XOL GUERRERO I
- 20 LIVE IN DOWNEY. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE BUILDING OF THE EL
- 21 RANCHO SOCCER FIELDS. WE DON'T HAVE MUCH SPACE TO PLAY OR
- 22 PRACTICE AND THESE FIELDS WILL HELP. WE HAVE BEEN PRACTICING
- 23 IN SCHOOLS AND ARE TIRED OF HAVING PRACTICES CANCELED BECAUSE
- 24 THERE IS NO ROOM. THESE FIELDS WILL HELP US EARN SCHOLARSHIPS



- 1 AND BRING FAMILIES CLOSER. I HOPE YOU CAN CONSIDER PASSING
- 2 THIS MOVEMENT. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NELSON?

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- 6 SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MASON AND
- 7 I'VE BEEN PLAYING FOR A.Y.S.O. FOR EIGHT YEARS NOW. I'M HERE
- 8 TO SUPPORT THE RANCHO MOVEMENT TO BUILD MORE FIELDS FOR US
- 9 BECAUSE WE ARE TIRED OF PLAYING IN SCHOOLS OR EVEN CANCELING
- 10 PRACTICE BECAUSE THERE'S NO SPACE. IF YOU DON'T PLAY, IT WILL
- 11 LEAD TO NEGATIVE THINGS LATER ON IF WE DON'T KEEP BUSY WITH
- 12 SOCCER IN OUR LIFE. AND I'D LIKE TO SHOW OUR TEAMMATES WHO
- 13 THINK THE SAME AS US THAT WE NEED MORE SPACE. SO WE REQUEST
- 14 THAT YOU PASS THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

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16 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 18 BRIAN FALCON: THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. MY NAME IS BRIAN
- 19 FALCON. I'VE BEEN A COACH IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY FOR 13 YEARS
- 20 SINCE I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL. I'VE BEEN A PLAYER SINCE I WAS 10
- 21 YEARS OLD IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY. AND NOW MORE THAN EVER SPACE
- 22 IS VERY CRAMPED TO RUN PROPER SOCCER PRACTICES. AND IT'S DUE
- 23 TO THE HIGH DEMAND IN THE CITY. WE REALLY NEED TO GET THIS
- 24 APPROVED BECAUSE THERE'S A VERY HIGH DEMAND FOR THE CITY FOR
- 25 THE RESIDENTS TO HAVE A SOCCER COMPLEX. ONE THING ON A



- 1 PERSONAL, I WAS A COACH IN THE CITY. MANY TIMES I HAVE TO PAY
- 2 TO RENT A SOCCER FIELD IN ANOTHER CITY WHEN, YOU KNOW, 95
- 3 PERCENT OF MY TEAM, MY BOYS ARE FROM THE CITY OF DOWNEY.
- 4 THERE'S NO REASON I HAVE TO TRAVEL ELSEWHERE OR PAY ANOTHER
- 5 CITY TO USE THEIR FIELDS. PLEASE HELP GET THIS APPROVED. THANK
- 6 YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 10 NELSON MANCIA: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS NELSON MANCIA. AND I
- 11 HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT FROM DOWNEY FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS, AND
- 12 COACH ADMINISTRATOR FOR DOWNEY A.Y.S.O. SO ONE OF THE MAIN
- 13 THINGS THAT WE ALWAYS EVERY YEAR BEFORE OUR SEASON STARTS IS
- 14 WHERE ARE WE GOING TO PRACTICE? WHERE ARE WE GOING THOUGH HOLD
- 15 OUR SEASON? WE HAVE AROUND 1,700 KIDS THAT EVERY YEAR THAT WE
- 16 HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT WHERE WE'RE GOING TO HOLD PRACTICE. DOWNEY
- 17 DOESN'T HAVE ANY SPACE ANYWHERE. THIS IS THE ONLY SPACE WHERE
- 18 IT CAN BE BUILT, A NICE SOCCER FIELD FOR OUR COMMUNITY. OUR
- 19 CHILDREN ARE CRYING FOR OPEN SPACE IN DOWNEY. HOPEFULLY YOU
- 20 GUYS APPROVE THIS SITE AND IT WILL BE GRATEFUL FOR DOWNEY FOR
- 21 THE WHOLE LIFE FOR THE KIDS. THANK YOU.

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23 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?



- 1 SHELIAH WARD: GREETINGS. COMMANDER, EXECUTIVE, GODDESS SHELIAH
- 2 WARD AND I REPRESENT MY PEOPLE: BLACK ICON INDIANS IN THIS
- 3 LAND. AND I'M APPALLED THAT I KEEP HEARING THIS OVER AND OVER
- 4 AND OVER, EVERYBODY COMING TO MY LAND AND EVERYBODY IS GETTING
- 5 ALL THIS FREE STUFF AND WE'RE PAYING FOR IT AND WE HAVE
- 6 NOTHING. AND IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT YOU SHOULD COME TO THE
- 7 BOARD TO TALK ABOUT. IT'S A NATURAL THING LIKE THE BIRDS,
- 8 MONGOOSE BUTTERFLY FLYING FROM NORTH TO SOUTH AMERICA EVERY
- 9 YEAR. IT'S NATURAL THAT A OUEEN BEE STANDS UP AND DOES A DANCE
- 10 THAT SHE NEVER SAW TO SHOW SOME DRONES HOW TO FIND A FLOWER
- 11 SHE NEVER SAW, TO BRING HER BACK HONEY POPLARS AND ROYAL
- 12 JELLY. IV YOU'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT GIVING SOMEBODY ELSE
- 13 SOMETHING SWEET TO HAVE FOR LAND, I'M APPALLED, I'M CRYING
- 14 BECAUSE MY PEOPLE HAVE NOTHING. FROM SLAVERY, MARTIN LUTHER
- 15 KING IS CRAWLING, CRYING, TURNING, MALCOLM, EVERYBODY'S
- 16 TURNING IN THEIR GRAVE. AND THEY'RE COMING IN THE SUN, ALL THE
- 17 PEOPLE THAT DIED PREMATURELY, THEY'RE IN THE SUN. AND GOD
- 18 ALMIGHTY SAID IT'S NOT GOING TO COME BACK VOID. SO IF YOU SIT
- 19 HERE AND TALK ABOUT SOMETHING FOR OTHER RACES OF PEOPLE AND
- 20 OTHER PEOPLES AND YOU'RE NOT INCLUDING THE VERY GODS AND
- 21 GODDESSES OF THE WORLD, OF THE FOUNDATION OF THIS UNIVERSE?
- 22 THEN YOU WILL BE THE ONES THAT COME INTO THE NEW WORLD WHERE
- 23 THERE'S NO CRYING AND NO DYING AND NO SORROW AND NO PAIN. AND
- 24 WE'RE NOT GOING TO LIVE THERE. WE'RE GOING TO BE IN THE PLACE
- 25 WHERE THE SHEEP AND THE LAMB AND EVERYBODY IS GOING TO LAY



- 1 DOWN TOGETHER AND EVERYBODY BE HAPPY LIKE NOT EZEKIEL'S WHEEL.
- 2 SO PLEASE WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT DOING THESE THINGS FOR OTHER
- 3 PEOPLE, MAKE SURE YOU INCLUDE ALL PEOPLE.

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- 5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I HAVE TWO MORE SPEAKERS. ERIC PREVEN
- 6 AND ARNOLD SACHS.

- 8 ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. ON TREASURED PARTNER BIG DEVELOPER
- 9 DAY. OBVIOUSLY GENSLER, OUR TREASURED PARTNERS, AND OBVIOUSLY
- 10 THEY HAVE BROUGHT TOGETHER SOME SCOPING DOCUMENTS HERE. AND IT
- 11 SOUNDED TO ME LIKE A LARGE PORTION OF THE COMMUNITY WAS
- 12 EXCITED ABOUT THE SOCCER CENTER THAT'S A \$4 MILLION PROJECT.
- 13 THAT'S GREAT. BUT THEN IT SOUNDED LIKE THEY WERE CONCERNED
- 14 THAT THEY WERE GOING TO LOSE, THAT THERE'S NOT ENOUGH. YOU GOT
- 15 ME. I OUIETLY GOT A COPY OF THIS AND I'M TRYING TO MAKE SENSE
- 16 OF IT. I DO KNOW THIS IS A VERY VETTED PROJECT FOR THE RANCHO
- 17 UPGRADE OVERALL. THE BUDGET IS LARGE. I BELIEVE IT'S ALMOST
- 18 HALF A BILLION AND \$4 MILLION IS GOING TO GO TO THE SOCCER
- 19 CENTER WHICH IS APPROPRIATE. I'M SURE THAT'S REASONABLE. I
- 20 NOTICED THAT THERE'S OTHER ASPECTS TO THIS, INCLUDING A
- 21 SHERIFF'S CRIME LAB. WE ARE GOING TO SPEND \$24 MILLION ON
- 22 THAT. WE ARE GOING TO SPEND \$63 MILLION ON APPROPRIATION
- 23 DEPARTMENT, NEW BUILDING AND AN I.S.D. NEW BUILDING. THIS IS
- 24 ALL UNDER THE CATEGORY OF CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE RANCHO SOUTH
- 25 CAMPUS PROJECT. SO YOU KNOW IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE PEOPLE GET



- 1 SOME PLACE TO PLAY SOCCER. THIS IS ONE OF THE BIG CONCERNS IN
- 2 ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTY. WE HAVE SOME BLIGHTED AREAS WHERE
- 3 THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH PARKS. AND THAT'S WHY WHEN WE HAVE PARKS
- 4 REVENUE OF ANY KIND HAD FROM PARKS AND REC WE ABSOLUTELY WANT
- 5 TO MAKE SURE THE COUNTY IS GETTING ITS FAIR SHARE AND THEY ARE
- 6 PUTTING IT BACK RIGHT INTO THE COMMUNITY TO GOOD USE. NOT OF
- 7 COURSE THE WALL STREET PROVIDERS, WHICH WE'LL GET TO IN THE
- 8 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. IN TERMS OF THE A.Y.S.O. AND THE KIDS
- 9 ARE GOING TO BE ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM THIS, THANK YOU.

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11 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER?

- 13 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
- 14 AND I FIND IT INTERESTING AND I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT A LOT OF
- 15 THESE COMMUNITY PEOPLE ARE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS PROJECT. BUT IN
- 16 THE INTERIM, I JUST QUESTION, YOU HAVE TWO ASSESSMENTS, TWO
- 17 PARK ASSESSMENTS, 1992 AND 1996 ASSESSMENTS. SO THAT'S 25
- 18 YEARS, APPROXIMATELY, AND 21 YEARS FOR THE SECOND ASSESSMENT.
- 19 WHERE DO THE FUNDS GO THAT COLLECT FROM THESE CITIES? I KNOW
- 20 YOU SPENT \$12 MILLION ON ON THE GOLF COURSE IN NORWALK. BUT
- 21 WHERE DO THE FUNDS GO FOR THESE OPEN PARK SPACES THAT ARE
- 22 SUPPOSED TO BE ALLOCATED FOR THAT? I KNOW THAT A LOT OF MONEY
- 23 GETS SPENT IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. BUT WHERE DO THE
- 24 FUNDS GO? I MEAN, PEOPLE HAVE BEEN PAYING THESE ASSESSMENTS
- 25 FOR 20, 25 YEARS. YOU HAVE QUIMBY FEES. YOU HAVE THE PEOPLE



- 1 FROM KOREATOWN TALK ABOUT THE NEED FOR OPEN SPACE AND PARKS
- 2 AND QUIMBY FEES THAT ARE GENERATED BY THE CONSTRUCTION IN
- 3 L.A., ESPECIALLY IN DOWNTOWN L.A., ARE SUPPOSED TO BE USED FOR
- 4 PARKS. BUT THEY NEVER END UP GETTING ANY PARKS. SO WHERE DO
- 5 THE FEES END UP GOING? YEAH, IT'S GREAT TO HAVE THE RESULTS
- 6 NOW. BUT TO TAKE SO LONG? SI SI PUTO IS RIGHT.

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- 8 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR, JUST TO FOLLOW UP AGAIN, AS YOU CAN
- 9 SEE IN THE BOARD LETTER, THE JOINT RECOMMENDATION BETWEEN THE
- 10 C.E.O. AND PUBLIC WORKS. I WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THE EFFORT.
- 11 THIS HAS BEEN A LONG TIME COMING. ALSO OUR FOLKS AT METRO AND
- 12 THE TRANSPORTATION STOP FOR THE REGION TO BE A PART OF THIS.
- 13 AND THEN TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AND THE STAFF AT THE
- 14 CITY OF DOWNEY WHO HAVE BEEN VERY COOPERATIVE AND WORKING WITH
- 15 US OVER THIS VERY, VERY LONG PERIOD OF TIME. AND THEY'RE ON
- 16 BOARD, AS WELL. WHILE A LOT OF THE TESTIMONY WAS IN REGARDS TO
- 17 THE SOCCER FIELD, IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF THAT. BUT
- 18 AGAIN THAT CAME FROM COLLABORATION AND THE INPUT FROM THE
- 19 COMMUNITY AS A TRADEOFF THAT WE WORKED TO DEVELOP THE SOUTH
- 20 CAMPUS AND ALL THE BUILDINGS THAT WE'VE HAD TO DEAL WITH OVER
- 21 THE YEARS. BETWEEN THIS AND THE VERMONT CORRIDOR, THIS IS
- 22 GOING TO BE A LONG-TERM SITUATION FOR OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND
- 23 THE RESIDENTS THAT NEED OUR SERVICES. SO WITH THAT, IF THERE
- 24 ARE NO OTHER QUESTIONS, I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THE ITEM.



1 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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- 3 SUP. ANTONOVICH: C.E.O., THERE'S A LIST THAT WE HAVE WHICH THE
- 4 BOARD HAD REQUESTED FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS BASED UPON PRIORITY.
- 5 WHERE IS THIS PROJECT IN THAT LIST OF PRIORITIES THAT THE
- 6 BOARD REQUESTED?

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- 8 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: SUPERVISOR, I'M GOING TO HAVE DAVE HOWARD
- 9 WHO IS IN CHARGE OF OUR ASSET MANAGEMENT RESPOND TO YOUR
- 10 QUESTION.

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- 12 DAVID HOWARD: SUPERVISOR, WITH RESPECT TO THAT LIST OF
- 13 PRIORITIES, WE PROVIDE AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD THAT
- 14 LOOKS AHEAD AT PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE BOARD
- 15 AS PRIORITIES AND THAT HAVE BEEN SLATED SPECIFICALLY FOR LONG-
- 16 TERM FINANCING. AND THIS IS ONE -- BOTH OF THE PROJECTS THAT
- 17 THE BOARD HAS TAKEN UP TODAY ARE AMONG THOSE PROJECTS.

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- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ARE THERE OTHER BOARD PRIORITIES WHICH WOULD
- 20 BE IMPACTED BY THIS PROJECT?

- 22 DAVID HOWARD: NO, SUPERVISOR. THE KEY PRIORITIES THAT WERE
- 23 IDENTIFIED, CHILD WELFARE AND HOMELESSNESS, ARE NOT AFFECTED
- 24 BY THIS. AND WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THAT THERE IS FUNDING
- 25 AVAILABLE FOR THIS AMONGST OUR OTHER CAPITAL PRIORITIES.



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND THE DEBT SERVICE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY
- 3 \$25 MILLION FOR 30 YEARS STARTING IN 2021. IS THAT WITHIN OUR
- 4 2 PERCENT LIMIT ON DEBT SERVICE?

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- 6 DAVID HOWARD: AS IT IS TODAY, THAT IS CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. AS
- 7 I SAID, IN THE REPORT THAT WAS ISSUED TO THE BOARD IN APRIL,
- 8 IT IDENTIFIES A LIST OF I'M GOING TO SAY APPROXIMATELY 10
- 9 PROJECTS. OF THOSE, ONLY ONE OR TWO HAVE BEEN FINANCED TO
- 10 DATE. IF THESE TWO PROJECTS MOVE FORWARD, THAT WOULD BE WELL
- 11 WITHIN THAT AND WE'VE IDENTIFIED ALL OF THE OTHER PROJECTS
- 12 COULD ALSO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD SUBSEQUENTLY. THERE WOULD
- 13 BE IN THAT 30-YEAR PERIOD WE'RE PROJECTING MAYBE FOUR OR FIVE
- 14 YEARS WHERE WE MIGHT BE A FRACTION ABOVE THE 2 PERCENT BUT
- 15 APPROVING THIS WOULD NOT PUT US OVER THE 2 PERCENT.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SO WITH THE PROJECT INCLUDED WHERE DOES IT
- 18 PUT US IN THE 2 PERCENT ON THE DEBT LIMIT.

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- 20 DAVID HOWARD: I DON'T HAVE AN EXACT NUMBER, SUPERVISOR. BUT IT
- 21 WOULD BE SLIGHTLY OVER 1 PERCENT.

- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW THE BOARD MEMBERS RECEIVED TWO VERSIONS
- 24 OF THIS LETTER, ONE REQUIRING A FOUR-VOTE FOR PASSAGE AND THE



- 1 OTHER ONE THAT ONLY REQUIRES A THREE-VOTE FOR PASSAGE. WHY WAS
- 2 THERE A DIFFERENCE IN TWO LETTERS?

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- 4 DAVID HOWARD: THE FIRST LETTER WAS ISSUED TO YOUR STAFF AS A
- 5 DRAFT. AND THERE WAS A MISTAKE IN THE LETTER. THERE'S AN
- 6 APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT ATTACHED TO THE FORMAL LETTER THAT
- 7 WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD. IT WAS FIRST BELIEVED THAT THE
- 8 APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT WAS GOING TO BE A FOUR-VOTE ITEM BUT
- 9 WHEN WE LOOKED INTO IT MORE THOROUGHLY, WE IDENTIFIED THAT THE
- 10 APPROPRIATION WAS EXISTING SO WE'RE JUST MOVING IT FROM ONE
- 11 FUND TO ANOTHER, AND THAT'S A THREE-VOTE ITEM, SO WE CORRECTED
- 12 THAT BEFORE THE LETTER WAS FILED.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THANK YOU.

- 16 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I APPRECIATE
- 17 THE STUDENTS COMING TODAY. I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO THINK
- 18 ABOUT HAVING OPEN SPACE. AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT THIS BOARD
- 19 HAS TAKEN UP. AND HOPEFULLY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO INFORM YOUR
- 20 PARENTS BECAUSE I'M NOT SURE IF ALL OF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO
- 21 VOTE. BUT THERE'S GOING TO BE AN INITIATIVE ON THE BALLOT TO
- 22 HELP EXPAND OUR PARKS, SOCCER FIELDS, A WHOLE LOT OF GOOD
- 23 THINGS. AND I HOPE THAT THE CITY REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE HERE
- 24 TODAY WOULD ALSO LOOK AT THAT AND THINK ABOUT THE VALUE THAT
- 25 THE COUNTY PLACES ON OPEN SPACE AND ALSO THE OTHER AMENITIES



- 1 AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. WHILE WE DON'T ALWAYS AGREE ON
- 2 EVERYTHING WITH THE GATEWAY C.O.G., I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT
- 3 MEMBERS ARE HERE TODAY AND HOPEFULLY ENCOURAGE THEM TO
- 4 UNDERSTAND THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS A BIG
- 5 RESPONSIBILITY. AND WE CARE VERY MUCH ABOUT EXPANDING AND
- 6 IMPROVING UPON OUR SERVICES. AND HOPEFULLY THEY'LL BE ABLE TO
- 7 TAKE THAT MESSAGE BACK TO THEIR OTHER COLLEAGUES ON THE
- 8 GATEWAY C.O.G. SO I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THIS. SUPERVISOR
- 9 KNABE MOVES. I'LL SECOND. BY SHEILA KUEHL. SEEING NO
- 10 OBJECTION, SEEING NONE, THE ITEM IS APPROVED, THANK YOU. ITEM
- 11 44-B WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU AGAIN TO THE STUDENTS FOR COMING DOWN.
- 14 APPRECIATE YOU BEING HERE.

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16 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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- 18 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, WHILE THOSE WHO
- 19 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK WILL BE CALLED ON, I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR
- 20 RIDLEY-THOMAS HAD ORIGINALLY PUT A HOLD ON THIS AND THEN
- 21 WITHDREW HIS HOLD.

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23 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES.



- 1 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: BUT I SIMPLY WANTED TO SAY, BECAUSE I DO
- 2 THINK WE HAVE SPEAKERS ON THE ISSUE, THAT ESSENTIALLY THESE
- 3 M.C.C. SERVICES SUPPORT H.I.V. POSITIVE PATIENTS BY HELPING
- 4 THEM TO STAY IN CARE AND ADHERE TO THEIR MEDICATIONS. I HAD A
- 5 NUMBER OF QUESTIONS, TO ME ABOUT, WELL WOULDN'T EVERYBODY WANT
- 6 TO STAY IN CARE AND TAKE THEIR MEDICINE? BUT THE TRUTH IS
- 7 OFTEN MANY PEOPLE WITH VARIOUS CONDITIONS. THEY FORGET, THEY
- 8 NEED TO BE HELPED. SOMETIMES THEY CAN'T GET TO THE
- 9 APPOINTMENTS THAT THEY NEED TO GO TO. AND THESE SERVICES ARE
- 10 VERY NECESSARY AND HAVE PROVEN TO BE QUITE EFFECTIVE. BECAUSE
- 11 HEALTH STATUS IS GENERALLY IMPROVED WHEN PATIENTS ADHERE TO
- 12 THEIR MEDICATION REGIME AND ARE ABLE TO GET TO THEIR CARE. SO
- 13 THESE ARE VITAL SERVICES THAT RYAN WHITE FUNDS, THE RYAN WHITE
- 14 FUNDS FUND BUT NOT EVERYBODY IN THE COUNTY WHO'S ELIGIBLE FOR
- 15 THESE SERVICES ACTUALLY RECEIVES THEM. SO WHAT THIS MOTION
- 16 WILL DO IS TO HELP US EXPAND THESE SERVICES ESSENTIALLY TO
- 17 MORE SITES ACROSS THE COUNTY. AN R.F.P. IS SCHEDULED TO BE
- 18 RELEASED NEXT YEAR OR MAYBE IN 2018. BUT WE REALLY CAN'T WAIT
- 19 FOR THE R.F.P. TO EXPAND THESE SERVICES. NEED TO EXPAND TO
- 20 SOME EXTENT TODAY. THE R.F.P. WILL STILL GO OUT, OF COURSE.
- 21 THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V. SUPPORTS THE EXPANSION OF M.C.C.
- 22 SERVICES. AND THE RYAN WHITE PART A FUNDING IS ALREADY THERE
- 23 TO DO IT. AND IF WE DON'T USE THE FUNDING, WE HAVE TO GIVE IT
- 24 BACK, WHICH I ALWAYS HATE TO DO, I HAVE TO SAY, IN THE COUNTY.



- 1 SO THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME JUST MAKE AN INTRODUCTORY COMMENT
- 2 ABOUT IT.

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- 4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. I JUST WANT TO REITERATE
- 5 IT'S GREAT THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT THIS IN A WAY THAT WE NEED
- 6 TO EXPAND SERVICES, PARTICULARLY FOR THOSE AT HIGH-RISK,
- 7 LATINO, AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND OTHERS. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I
- 8 AGREE. WE DON'T WANT TO LEAVE ANY MONEY ON THE TABLE, EITHER.
- 9 WE NEED TO BE SURE TO DO AS MUCH AS WE CAN. WE DO HAVE
- 10 SPEAKERS IF I CAN CALL THEM UP. WE HAVE KATJA NELSON. AND DR.
- 11 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. CHERYL BARRIT. PHIL CURTIS.

- 13 KATJA NELSON: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KATJA
- 14 NELSON AND I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF A.P.L.A. HEALTH AND
- 15 SOME OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION TO
- 16 EXPAND THE HEALTHCARE COORDINATION SERVICES FOR PEOPLE LIVING
- 17 WITH H.I.V. IN L.A. COUNTY. I WANT TO GIVE A BIG THANK YOU FOR
- 18 SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND SOLIS FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD.
- 19 THE ADDITION OF MEDICAL CARE COORDINATION ACCESS FOR COMMUNITY
- 20 AND PRIVATE CLINICS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY IS MUCH NEEDED AND
- 21 WOULD PROVIDE MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS IN OUR ABILITY TO CARE FOR
- 22 HIGH ACUITY PATIENTS IN NEED OF MEDICAL AND PSYCHOSOCIAL
- 23 SERVICES, M.C.C. SERVICES THAT WOULD HELP IMPROVE RETENTION
- 24 AND CARE AND VIRAL SUPPRESSION. AS YOU KNOW FROM THE DIVISION
- 25 OF H.I.V. AND S.T.D. PROGRAMS EVALUATION, THE MEDICAL CARE



- 1 COORDINATION PROGRAM, RETENTION AND CARE AND VIRAL SUPPRESSION
- 2 IMPROVE SIGNIFICANTLY FOR CLIENTS RECEIVING SERVICES AT AT
- 3 RYAN WHITE FUNDED MEDICAL CLINICS OFFERING M.C.C. AND M.C.C.
- 4 SERVICES HAVE ALSO SUCCESSFULLY REACHED KEY VULNERABLE LOW
- 5 INCOME POPULATIONS IN L.A. COUNTY, THE EXACT POPULATIONS THAT
- 6 WE SERVE IN OUR CLINICS BUT FOR WHOM WE ARE CURRENTLY UNABLE
- 7 TO PROVIDE MEDICAL CARE COORDINATION SERVICES. AS OF 2014,
- 8 THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 58,000 PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V. IN
- 9 L.A. COUNTY. AND OF THOSE, 71 PERCENT WERE ENGAGED IN CARE,
- 10 BUT ONLY 59 PERCENT WERE RETAINED IN CARE AND VIRALLY
- 11 SUPPRESSED. D.H.S.P.'S EVALUATION OF M.C.C. HIGHLIGHTED THAT
- 12 RETENTION, AND CARE INCREASED FROM 54 PERCENT TO 84 PERCENT
- 13 AND VIRAL SUPPRESSION INCREASED JUST 30 PERCENT TO 60 PERCENT.
- 14 SO JUST IMAGINE HOW THAT 59 PERCENT WOULD IMPROVE IF YOU'RE
- 15 ABLE TO EXPAND M.C.C. TO MORE CLINICS WHO SERVE VULNERABLE,
- 16 HIGH-ACUITY CLIENTS. SO IN LIGHT OF THE PROJECTED 2017/2018
- 17 COMPLETION OF A SOLICITATION TO EXPAND M.C.C. SERVICES IN L.A.
- 18 COUNTY, I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE MOTION TO BRIDGE THE GAP
- 19 UNTIL THE SOLICITATION IS FINALIZED SO THAT COMMUNITY AND
- 20 PRIVATE PARTNERS CAN GET MUCH NEEDED SERVICES ON THE STREETS
- 21 NOW TO REDUCE DISPARITIES IN CARE AND IMPROVE OVERALL HEALTH
- 22 OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 24 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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- 1 CHERYL BARRIT: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CHERYL BARRIT. I'M
- 2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V. I REALLY WANTED
- 3 TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR LONG AND STRONG
- 4 HISTORY OF SUPPORTING AND UPLIFTING THE PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING
- 5 AND AFFECTED BY H.I.V. IN OUR COUNTY I PARTICULARLY WANT TO
- 6 THANK SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND SOLIS FOR CHAMPIONING THIS
- 7 IMPORTANT MOTION AS PART OF OUR GREAT WORK TO GET A HOLD AND
- 8 GET AHEAD OF THIS DEBILITATING DISEASE. I DO WANT TO PROVIDE
- 9 SOME CONTEXT. THIS WAS A MODEL THAT WAS FIRST INTRODUCED TO
- 10 THE CONVERSATION WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE COMMISSION
- 11 WAY BACK IN 2008 AS A MODEL, AND FORMALLY CREATED AS A SERVICE
- 12 CATEGORY IN 2012. AND SINCE THEN THE COMMISSION ALONG WITH THE
- 13 DIVISION, ALONG WITH THE H.S.V., THE DIVISION OF H.I.V. S.T.D.
- 14 PROGRAMS, HAVE BEEN WATCHING AND EVALUATING AND STUDYING THIS
- 15 SERVICE MODEL FOR ITS EFFECTIVENESS. AND IT'S BEEN RECOGNIZED
- 16 NATIONALLY BY THE FEDERAL PARTNERS, HEALTH RESOURCES
- 17 ADMINISTRATION AND EVEN RECEIVED A QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AWARD
- 18 THROUGH THE COUNTY COMMISSION ON PRODUCTIVITY AND OUALITY
- 19 PROGRAM. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO
- 20 WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU IN COLLABORATION WITH THE COMMISSION
- 21 TO MAKING MORE BOLD CHOICES, MORE DARING AND COURAGEOUS STEPS
- 22 FOR POLICY AND PROGRAMS TO FINALLY GET TO ZERO IN LOS ANGELES
- 23 COUNTY.

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25 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. YES.



- 2 PHIL CURTIS: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS PHIL
- 3 CURTIS. I'M THE LONGTIME DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AT
- 4 A.I.D.S. PROJECT LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS NOW KNOWN AS A.P.L.A.
- 5 HEALTH. FIRST OF ALL I WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR MY NONCONFORMING
- 6 BUSINESS DRESS THIS MORNING. I WAS CALLED IN AT THE LAST
- 7 MINUTE FOR ONE OF OUR PHYSICIANS WHO COULD NOT MAKE THE
- 8 MEETING. THAT SAID, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND
- 9 SOLIS FOR ADVANCING THIS RECOMMENDATION. I WAS IN MY JOB WHEN
- 10 THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V. AND THE DIVISION OF H.I.V. AND S.T.D.
- 11 PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED MEDICAL CARE COORDINATION. AND IT WAS
- 12 NEVER ANYONE'S INTENTION TO CLOSE OFF THESE VALUABLE SERVICES
- 13 FROM ANYONE LIVING WITH H.I.V. IT WAS SIMPLY THE UNINTENDED
- 14 CONSEQUENCES OF A WELL CRAFTED IMPROVEMENT TO CASE MANAGEMENT
- 15 FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. IN LOS ANGELES
- 16 COUNTY. BUT NOW WITH D.H.S.P.'S DATA SHOWING INCREASES IN
- 17 RETENTION AND CARE AND VIRAL SUPPRESSION FOR PEOPLE IN MEDICAL
- 18 CARE COORDINATION, IT'S URGENT THAT WE EXPAND THE PROGRAM TO
- 19 ALL PEOPLE LIVING WITH AND AT RISK FOR H.I.V. AT MEDICAL
- 20 PROVIDERS WHO DO NOT HAVE RYAN WHITE CONTRACTS. AS I THINK
- 21 MANY OF YOU KNOW, WE'RE AT A REAL TURNING POINT IN THE
- 22 A.I.D.S. EPIDEMIC. WITH TREATMENT IS PREVENTION. WITH VIRAL
- 23 SUPPRESSION. WITH PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS, WE CAN STOP THIS
- 24 EPIDEMIC IN ITS TRACKS. SO I URGE YOU TO VOTE TO EXTEND
- 25 MEDICAL CARE COORDINATION NOW. AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR ALL



- 1 THAT YOU'VE DONE FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. IN
- 2 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANKS VERY MUCH.

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- 4 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE DR. GENEVIEVE
- 5 CLAVREUL. SHELIAH WARD. ARNOLD SACHS. GO AHEAD.

- 7 SHELIAH WARD: I'M SHOCKED. I'M JUST SHOCKED THAT I'M HEARING
- 8 ABOUT A.I.D.S. WE HAVE THE CURE FOR IT, DR. SEBI HAS THE CURE
- 9 FOR H.I.V. AND EVERY DISEASE ON THE PLANET FOR THE LAST 35
- 10 YEARS. HE WAS MURDERED IN BRITISH HONDURAS A COUPLE DAYS AGO.
- 11 SO WE SHOULDN'T BE TALKING ABOUT HOUSING AND H.I.V. WE'RE
- 12 SUPPOSED TO TALK ABOUT THE CURE, LIKE POLIO. THERE WAS AN
- 13 EPIDEMIC CALLED POLIO. THAT THING DOESN'T EXIST ON THE PLANET
- 14 TODAY. WE'RE NOT LOOKING FOR HOUSING FOR POLIO. WE'RE NOT
- 15 LOOKING TO FEED PEOPLE WITH POLIO, 20 YEARS IN THE FUTURE. FOR
- 16 20 YEARS IN THE FUTURE, GOT TO TALK ABOUT THE SAME DISEASE,
- 17 IT'S APPALLING. IT MEANS SOMETHING IS WRONG WITH US AS A
- 18 PEOPLE, AS A RACE OF PEOPLE. IT MEANS WE'RE TRYING TO KILL
- 19 PEOPLE WITH THIS DISEASE CALLED H.I.V. OR A.I.D.S. THERE IS A
- 20 CURE FOR H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. AND EVERY DISEASE ON THE PLANET.
- 21 AND THE PRIORITY IS NOT HOUSING PEOPLE WITH H.I.V. WHAT YOU'RE
- 22 DOING IS SENDING THE WRONG MESSAGE. YOU'RE SAYING TO THE
- 23 HOMELESS, FOR ME TO HELP YOU, YOU HAVE TO HAVE H.I.V. SO
- 24 THEY'RE GOING OUT AND HAVING SEX SO THEY CAN CATCH H.I.V. SO
- 25 YOU CAN HELP THEM WITH A HOME AND PLACE TO LIVE. YOU NEED TO



- 1 RETHINK THIS. THIS IS 2016, OKAY? NOT THE 20TH CENTURY BACK IN
- 2 THE DAY. THIS IS NOT THAT. THIS IS THE LAND OF MILK AND HONEY.
- 3 WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THINKING BETTER AND HIGHER THAN WE ARE
- 4 TODAY, NOT H.I.V., CURE.

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- 6 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
- 7 I'M READING THIS ITEM AND I'M WONDERING WHO YOU HAVE THESE
- 8 AGREEMENTS WITH IF YOU DON'T HAVE THEM WITH HIGH-VOLUME H.I.V.
- 9 MEDICAL PROVIDERS. NOW, YOU'RE ENTERING INTO TEMPORARY
- 10 AGREEMENTS WITH HIGH- VOLUME H.I.V. MEDICAL PROVIDERS NOT
- 11 CURRENTLY FUNDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DIVISION
- 12 PROGRAMS. SO WHO DO YOU HAVE THE CONTRACTS WITH IF THEY'RE NOT
- 13 HIGH VOLUME? THAT WOULD BE THE THRUST OF YOUR WORK. THE
- 14 IMPORTANCE OF THE PROGRAM WOULD BE TO OFFER THE SERVICES TO
- 15 HIGH-VOLUME MEDICAL PROVIDERS IN THE FIRST PLACE. BECAUSE
- 16 EVIDENTLY THEY'RE THE ONES SEEING THE MOST PATIENTS. AND
- 17 YOU'RE LACKING IN DOING THAT. AND ANOTHER PART OF THIS ITEM
- 18 MENTIONS THE AVAILABLE RYAN WHITE PROGRAM FUNDS. YOU WOULD
- 19 THINK THAT AS YOU'RE INCREASING THE SERVICES, YOU WOULD BE
- 20 ALLOCATING THOSE FUNDS ALREADY TO THE HIGH-VOLUME H.I.V.
- 21 MEDICAL PROVIDERS. BUT IT TAKES A MOTION FROM 2012 TO 2016,
- 22 FOUR YEARS LATER, TO HAVE IT COME TO FRUITION.

- 24 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT'S
- 25 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED. WE HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER?



- 1 NO, OKAY. VERY GOOD. OKAY. MOVED AND SECONDED. WITHOUT
- 2 OBJECTION? SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. OKAY, MEMBERS, NOW WE GO ON
- 3 TO SPECIAL ITEMS AND ADJOURNMENTS BEGINNING WITH SUPERVISOR
- 4 THOMAS WHO IS NOT HERE, SO SUPERVISOR KUEHL, WE'LL TURN TO
- 5 YOU. DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

- 7 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
- 8 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRANK FENTON, WHO
- 9 DIED ON AUGUST 4TH. HE WAS-- HAD THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE
- 10 ONLY BEVERLY HILLS RESIDENT TO HAVE HELD ELECTED OFFICES IN
- 11 THE CITY AS A BEVERLY HILLS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
- 12 MEMBER, CITY TREASURER AND FINALLY CITY COUNCILMEMBER WHERE HE
- 13 ALSO SERVED AS MAYOR. IN RECOGNITION OF HIS MANY YEARS OF
- 14 SERVICE, THE SPORTS FIELD AT LA CIENEGA PARK WAS NAMED FRANK
- 15 FENTON FIELD IN 2009. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JUDY AND HIS
- 16 CHILDREN MINDY, GARY, STEVEN AND JENNIFER. AND I MOVE THAT
- 17 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EDITH TOLKIN.
- 18 AFTER MARRYING, SHE AND HER HUSBAND MOVED TO WESTCHESTER
- 19 COUNTY, HAD TWO SONS. SHE BEGAN HER COLLEGE EDUCATION BY
- 20 COMMUTING TO N.Y.U. AND AFTER JUST TWO YEARS OF COLLEGE, SHE
- 21 APPLIED TO THE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL. IN SPITE OF HER
- 22 FATHER'S FEAR THAT IF YOU WORKED AS AN ATTORNEY, PEOPLE WOULD
- 23 THINK THAT HER HUSBAND COULDN'T SUPPORT HER. SHE WAS ONE OF
- 24 ONLY EIGHT WOMEN IN HER CLASS, FOUGHT FOR A WOMAN'S BATHROOM
- 25 AT THE LAW SCHOOL, AND ACTUALLY GOT ONE. THERE HAD NEVER BEEN



- 1 ONE BEFORE. RUTH BADER GINSBURG WHO WAS IN THE CLASS TWO YEARS
- 2 LATER INDICATED THAT SHE WAS ACTUALLY INSPIRED BY EDITH
- 3 TOLKIN'S FIGHT AT THE COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL. MISS TOLKIN
- 4 GRADUATED IN 1960. IN 1961, THE FAMILY MOVED TO L.A. AND SHE
- 5 WAS HIRED BY M.G.M. AS AN ATTORNEY, THE ONLY WOMAN THERE. AND
- 6 THEN PARAMOUNT, WHERE THEY CALLED HER "THE LITTLE LADY WHO
- 7 PULLED NO PUNCHES." SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER SONS MICHAEL AND
- 8 STEPHEN AND HER SISTER ESTELLE. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
- 9 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. DANIEL ELMAN WHO
- 10 GRADUATED MEDICAL SCHOOL EARLY, SPECIALIZED IN ANESTHESIOLOGY
- 11 AND PAIN RELIEF. HE ESTABLISHED THE ANESTHESIOLOGY DEPARTMENT
- 12 AT WEST HILLS HOSPITAL WHILE CONCURRENTLY TEACHING MEDICAL
- 13 STUDENTS AT U.S.C. COUNTY HOSPITAL. HE LATER ESTABLISHED A
- 14 SURGERY CENTER AT WEST HILLS WHERE HE PERFORMED A NUMBER OF
- 15 PAIN RELIEF PROCEDURES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE BARBARA AND
- 16 HIS CHILDREN SHERI, KEN AND MICHAEL. AND FINALLY I MOVE THAT
- 17 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SID MORAY WHO
- 18 DIED ON JULY 31ST. HE WAS A WORLD WAR II VET, SERVED THE THREE
- 19 YEARS AS A TRAINING PILOT AND FLIGHT ENGINEER IN THE U.S. ARMY
- 20 AIR CORPS. HE WAS OFTEN CHOSEN BY THE U.S.O. TO ACCOMPANY
- 21 STARS SUCH AS GLORIA DEHAVEN AND ELIZABETH TAYLOR TO PUBLIC
- 22 EVENTS. AS A BUSINESSMAN, HE DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF IN SEVERAL
- 23 FIELDS, INCLUDING RETAIL, MANUFACTURING, BANKING AND
- 24 ULTIMATELY REAL ESTATE AND PHILANTHROPY. HE WAS A BORN
- 25 ENTREPRENEUR KNOWN FOR BEING TOUGH BUT FAIR, WHICH AS WE ALL



- 1 KNOW IS A COMPLIMENT IN THE REAL ESTATE BUSINESS. HE'S
- 2 SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN DAVID, MICHAEL, ROBBIE AND LINDA AND
- 3 HIS SISTER HELEN. THANK YOU.

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5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

- 7 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I HAVE SEVERAL
- 8 ADJOURNMENTS, AS WELL. FIRST OF ALL, A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE,
- 9 HIS SON, DR. RYAN PATRICK ZAMANIGAN PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY FROM
- 10 A BRAIN ANEURISM AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 29 WHILE TEACHING HIS
- 11 COUSIN TO BODY SURF. HE WAS A WONDERFUL YOUNG MAN WHO
- 12 GRADUATED FROM OPTOMETRY SCHOOL LAST YEAR AND STARTED HIS OWN
- 13 PRACTICE IN TEXAS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS FATHER, MY FRIEND DR.
- 14 TERRY ZAMANIGAN, A CERRITOS DENTIST, AND WILL BE MISSED BY HIS
- 15 PATIENTS, HIS FAMILY, HIS MANY PEOPLE WHOSE LIVES HE TOUCHED
- 16 THROUGH HIS GENEROSITY, KINDNESS AND LOVE OF LIFE. JUST AN
- 17 ABSOLUTE VERY, VERY SAD SITUATION. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 18 MEMORY OF GAIL RAINWATER, A LONG BEACH RESIDENT WHO RECENTLY
- 19 PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 62. SHE WAS A GO-GETTER, A
- 20 BUILDER. SHE LIVED BY THE TRUTH SO SHE COULD DO ANYTHING THAT
- 21 THE NEXT PERSON WAS CAPABLE OF DOING. TOOK A LOT OF WORK AND
- 22 DEDICATION. SHE LOVED HER JESUS AND HER FAMILY AND HER FRIENDS
- 23 IN THAT ORDER AND MADE ALL HER DECISIONS BASED ON THAT. SHE
- 24 WILL BE GREATLY MISSED. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 42
- 25 YEARS, KENDALL RAINWATER. HER DAUGHTERS SHANNON AND RACHEL AND



- 1 HER FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
- 2 YASMIN ALAM, BELOVED MOTHER AND WIFE OF AMIR ALAM, LONGTIME
- 3 COUNTY PUBLIC EMPLOYEE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
- 4 WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AFTER A LONG COURAGEOUS FIGHT, A
- 5 LONG, DIFFICULT ILLNESS. YASMIN IS SURVIVED BY HER DEVOTED
- 6 HUSBAND AMIR, AND THEIR CHILDREN, FAITH AND ADAM, AND SHE WILL
- 7 BE TRULY MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 8 MEMORY OF RUDY ALMEIDA, LONGTIME HACIENDA HEIGHTS RESIDENT,
- 9 ACTIVE SUPPORTER OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, ACTIVE SUPPORTER OF
- 10 THE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS. HE WAS A VERY, VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF
- 11 THE COMMUNITY. STRONG SUPPORTER OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. HE WAS A
- 12 MEMBER OF THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION WHERE
- 13 HE SERVED AS CODE ENFORCEMENT CHAIR. JUST A GREAT GUY. HE WAS
- 14 HONEST, SINCERE, AND LOVED DEARLY BY HIS FAMILY. HE PASSED
- 15 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91. HE WILL BE MISSED. HE IS SURVIVED BY
- 16 HIS TWO CHILDREN, ROXANN AND RANDY AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN.
- 17 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY OF MINA KAY MEYER WHO
- 18 PASSED AWAY ON FRIDAY, JULY 29TH AT THE AGE OF 76. SHE WAS
- 19 BORN IN PENNSYLVANIA. WHEN SHE WAS THREE YEARS OLD, HER
- 20 PARENTS MOVED FROM THERE TO CLEVELAND. MINA WAS A LESBIAN
- 21 FEMINIST ACTIVIST FOR MOST OF HER LIFE, WHERE SHE CO-FOUNDED
- 22 OR LED MANY ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS IN THE GAY AND LESBIAN
- 23 BOTH IN LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH. SHE BEGAN HER ACTIVISM AS
- 24 A VOLUNTEER AT DEL WHAN'S GAY WOMEN'S SERVICE CENTER AND
- 25 SERVED AS VICE PRESIDENT ON THE BOARD AT THE GAY COMMUNITY



- 1 CENTER WHICH IS NOW THE L.G.B.T. CENTER IN L.A., IN THE EARLY
- 2 '70S. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE OVER THE YEARS. SHE ALSO WORKED AT
- 3 THE SISTERHOOD BOOKSTORE IN WESTWOOD FOR SOME 16 YEARS. SHE
- 4 EARNED HER BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY AT CAL
- 5 STATE UNIVERSITY, DOMINGUEZ HILL WHERE SHE COMPLETED THE FIRST
- 6 THESIS EVER WRITTEN ON THE SUBJECT OF THE OLDER LESBIAN. SHE
- 7 SERVED LATER AS THE CO-CHAIR OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE AND
- 8 ALSO CREATED THE LOCAL OLDER LESBIAN ORGANIZING GROUP IN LONG
- 9 BEACH. THERE SHE HELPED FOUND THE GROUP WITH LES CHAT AT THE
- 10 LONG BEACH L.G.B.T.Q. CENTER IN LONG BEACH. IN 2014 MINA AND
- 11 SHARON RECEIVED THE PAUL SELF HUMANITARIAN AWARD FROM THE
- 12 LAMBDA DEMOCRATIC CLUB. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER WIFE AND
- 13 PARTNER OF 45 YEARS SHARON AND HER BROTHER CLIFF AND HIS WIFE
- 14 CATHY. AND THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAME CHAIR.

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16 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: MAY I JOIN IN THAT ADJOURNMENT?

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18 SUP. KNABE: YES, YOU MAY.

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20 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU.

- 22 SUP. KNABE: PARDON ME? A READ-IN MOTION BY MYSELF AS WELL AS
- 23 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. "LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS LEADING THE
- 24 NATION TO FIGHT TO END CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING OF MINORS.
- 25 CHILDREN AS YOUNG AS 10 BEING FORCED BY ADULTS TO SELL

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- 1 THEMSELVES ON THE STREETS FOR MONEY. THERE ARE TWO COUNTY-
- 2 SUPPORTED BILLS THAT ARE CURRENTLY MOVING THROUGH THE
- 3 LEGISLATURE THAT WOULD FURTHER OUR EFFORTS TO END CHILD SEX
- 4 TRAFFICKING. ONE IS S.B.1332 AUTHORED BY SENATOR HOLLY
- 5 MITCHELL WHICH DECRIMINALIZES PROSTITUTION CHARGES FOR MINORS
- 6 IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND AS WE ALL KNOW IT ALSO
- 7 CONTAINS THE LANGUAGE THAT THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A CHILD
- 8 PROSTITUTE. ADDITIONALLY, ASSEMBLY BILL 1771 AUTHORED BY
- 9 ASSEMBLYMAN PATRICK O'DONNELL ALSO BRINGS MORE HEAT ON THOSE
- 10 RESPONSIBLE FOR BUYING AND SELLING CHILDREN FOR SEX. WE
- 11 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO
- 12 THE STATE LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP AND THE GOVERNOR TO REAFFIRM
- 13 THE BOARD'S STRONG SUPPORT OF S.B.1322 BY SENATOR MITCHELL AND
- 14 THE ASSEMBLYMAN'S BILL A.B.1771." AND THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK.
- 15 AND THAT'S A CO-MOTION BY MYSELF AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

17 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION.

19 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MADAME CHAIR I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN

- 20 IN MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE JACK GOERTZEN WHO PASSED AWAY ON
- 21 JULY 30TH AT THE AGE OF 85. HE HAD EARNED HIS UNDERGRADUATE
- 22 AND LAW DEGREES FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,
- 23 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING THE KOREAN WAR. HE WAS
- 24 DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA BETWEEN
- 25 1957 TO '68. GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN APPOINTED HIM TO THE



- 1 MUNICIPAL COURT IN '68 AND TO THE SUPERIOR COURT IN 1970 WHERE
- 2 HE SERVED AS SUPERVISING JUDGE IN THE CRIMINAL DIVISION,
- 3 CHAIRED THE COURT'S HISTORICAL EVENTS COMMITTEE, SERVED AS
- 4 ASSISTANT PRESIDING JUDGE AND AS THE PRESIDING JUDGE FROM 1987
- 5 TO '88. GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN APPOINTED HIM TO THE COURT
- 6 OF APPEAL IN 1988. HE RETIRED FROM THE BENCH IN 1991. AND HE
- 7 IS SURVIVED BY HIS FIVE CHILDREN. AS FORMER JUSTICE LILLY HAD
- 8 STATED ABOUT JUDGE GOERTZEN, HE WAS THE MAN WHO BROUGHT SO
- 9 MUCH HUMOR TO THE COURT. HE WAS A WONDERFUL EMCEE. HE WAS
- 10 INVOLVED WITH OUR BOARD MANY OF OUR ACTIVITIES DURING THE
- 11 OLYMPICS AND ALL THE OTHER EVENTS THAT WE WERE INVOLVED WITH.
- 12 HE WAS A GREAT MAN. AND WE WILL MISS HIS LEADERSHIP. ALSO, JAN
- 13 CARLSON PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75 ON JULY 21ST. SHE
- 14 ATTENDED CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN THE
- 15 MANHATTAN BEACH NEPTUNIAN CLUB, THE MANHATTAN BEACH REPUBLICAN
- 16 WOMEN'S CLUB AND THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES
- 17 COUNTY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND THEIR THREE
- 18 CHILDREN. HER HUSBAND WAS ONE OF PRESIDENT GERALD FORD'S PRESS
- 19 SECRETARIES DURING THAT ADMINISTRATION AND ALSO SERVED WITH
- 20 RONALD REAGAN. AND HONORABLE LINDA ANNE FORTUNE, LONGTIME
- 21 RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 65. SHE
- 22 HAD A 25-YEAR CAREER IN NURSING AND BECAME A MINISTER IN THE
- 23 LIVING SPIRIT MINISTRY AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND
- 24 HER DAUGHTER AND THREE SIBLINGS. AND LEE STEWART SCHRAMLING,
- 25 LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF



- 1 74. SUCCESSFUL REAL ESTATE CAREER AND AVID VOLUNTEER FOR
- 2 CANYON HIGH SCHOOL AND THE WILLIAM S. HART HIGH SCHOOL
- 3 DISTRICT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN.
- 4 ALSO, I WOULD LIKE TO READ IN FOR NEXT WEEK "TO PROTECT THE
- 5 RIGHTS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS, LEGISLATION BY
- 6 ASSEMBLYMAN SANTIAGO, A.B.1276 AUTHORIZING A MINOR VICTIM OF
- 7 HUMAN TRAFFICKING UNDER THE AGE OF 15 TO UTILIZE CLOSE CIRCUIT
- 8 TELEVISION TO TESTIFY AGAINST THEIR ALLEGED PREDATOR. THE
- 9 LEGISLATION, IF ENACTED, WOULD PREVENT THE MINOR VICTIM FROM
- 10 THE HORRORS OF FACING THE INDIVIDUAL IN COURT AND RELIVING THE
- 11 PERSONAL AND EMOTIONAL DETAILS OF THE ABUSE. SO I'D MOVE THAT
- 12 THE BOARD WOULD SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER IN SUPPORT OF
- 13 ASSEMBLY BILL 1276." THAT WOULD BE FOR NEXT WEEK.

- 15 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. WITHOUT OBJECTION. I HAVE
- 16 THE FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENTS I'D LIKE TO READ IN. I MOVE THAT
- 17 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DONALD LAWRENCE
- 18 CANNON, KNOWN AS DON. DON WAS BORN IN 1947 DURING THE FIRST
- 19 YEARS OF THE POST WAR BABY BOOM. THE FIRST OF FIVE CHILDREN,
- 20 DON WAS BORN AND RAISED IN LOS ANGELES. ALWAYS MECHANICAL AND
- 21 CURIOUS. DON COMPLETED A BACHELOR AND MASTERS IN MECHANICAL
- 22 ENGINEERING FROM CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE. GROWING UP WITH THREE
- 23 SISTERS GAVE HIM FIRSTHAND FEMINIST EXPERIENCE, WHERE THE
- 24 GIRLS IN HIS FAMILY WORKED ON CARS AND THE BOYS LEARNED HOW TO
- 25 COOK. AFTER DESIGNING SYSTEMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NAVY IN



- 1 PORT HUENEME, DON BEGAN VOLKSWAGEN RACING AND TURNED IT INTO A
- 2 FULL-TIME PROFESSION AS THE OWNER OF A FIVE-STAR RACING GROUP
- 3 WHO WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN REPAIRING VARIOUS VOLKSWAGEN BEETLES.
- 4 EVENTUALLY, HE TOOK OVER AND RAN CANNON ENGINEERING IN NORTH
- 5 HOLLYWOOD AND KEPT HIS FATHER'S AUTOMOTIVE PARTS BUSINESS
- 6 GOING FOR ANOTHER 20 YEARS. HE WAS FOUNDER OF THE COALITION
- 7 AGAINST HOUSEHOLD VIOLENCE IN VENTURA AND A DELEGATE TO THE
- 8 1992 DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. HE ATTENDED THE U.N. FOURTH WORLD
- 9 CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IN BEIJING. ADVOCATED FOR THE DEMOCRATIC
- 10 PARTY FOR EOUALITY ISSUES AND STOPPED TOXIC OIL WASTE FROM
- 11 BEING DUMPED IN STATE WATERS OFF OF VENTURA COUNTY. HE WILL BE
- 12 GREATLY MISSED. I OFTEN REMEMBER HIM PARTICIPATING IN N.O.W.,
- 13 NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN-SPONSORED EVENTS, AND HE'D BE
- 14 THE ONLY MALE IN THAT AUDIENCE ON MANY OCCASIONS. HE WILL BE
- 15 DEEPLY MISSED BY MANY OF US. AND I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY
- 16 IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL ANGEL FLORES. MICHAEL WAS BORN ON JANUARY
- 17 22ND, 1960 IN GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA, PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 5TH,
- 18 2016, AT THE AGE OF 56. HE ATTENDED EAGLE ROCK HIGH SCHOOL AND
- 19 WORKED AT GLENDALE ADVENTIST MEDICAL CENTER. HE ENJOYED
- 20 COACHING, MENTORING HIS GRANDCHILDREN AND WAS A SELF-TAUGHT
- 21 MUSICIAN. HE WAS A LONGTIME AZUSA RESIDENT AND WILL BE
- 22 REMEMBERED AS A LOVING HUSBAND, FATHER, GRANDFATHER, FRIEND
- 23 AND FOR ALWAYS PUTTING A SMILE ON YOUR FACE WITH KIND WORDS IN
- 24 YOUR HEART. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, YOLANDA FLORES,
- 25 DAUGHTERS TENAYA, NICOLE, SON JOHN, GRANDCHILDREN ANGEL RENE



- 1 AND ROSA BELLE AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND
- 2 FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.
- 3 I'LL MOVE, MEMBERS, TO PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR THE FOLLOWING
- 4 INDIVIDUALS. LYNN PLAMBECK. STEVEN LEE. SARAH SAGE. ZANE
- 5 MICHAEL. JUAN LEAL. ERIC PREVEN. ARNOLD SACHS. JOSE MARTINEZ.
- 6 SHELIAH WARD. DARRELL KRUSE OSCAR MOHAMMAD.

- 8 SARAH SAGE: MY NAME IS SARAH SAGE. I'M A BOARD MEMBER OF THE
- 9 VAL VERDE CIVIC ASSOCIATION. I'M NOT HERE TO SPEAK AS A BOARD
- 10 MEMBER, BUT AS AN ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE SPEAKING FOR MY
- 11 CONSTITUENTS. I AM HERE BECAUSE CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL IS
- 12 OVER THEIR PERMITTED TONNAGE AND CONTINUES TO OPERATE. THE VAL
- 13 VERDE CIVIC ASSOCIATION HOLDS A 1997 CONTRACT WITH CHIQUITA
- 14 CANYON LANDFILL. THE CONDITIONS OF THAT CONTRACT ARE
- 15 INCORPORATED INTO THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT THAT WAS APPROVED
- 16 BY THIS BOARD INCLUDING CONDITION 44 WHICH REQUIRES THE
- 17 LANDFILL TO ABIDE BY THE STATEMENT AGREEMENTS AND FORWARD ALL
- 18 NOTICES AND REPORTS FROM OR TO REGULATORY AGENCIES TO THE
- 19 COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITHIN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS OF
- 20 RECEIPT OF TRANSMITTAL. WE IN VAL VERDE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR
- 21 20 YEARS FOR THE LANDFILL TO REACH ITS 23 MILLION TON CLOSURE
- 22 LIMIT. NOW THAT THAT LIMIT HAS FINALLY BEEN REACHED, WE WERE
- 23 BREATHING A SIGH OF RELIEF IN THE HOPE THAT THE LANDFILL MAY
- 24 SOON FINALLY CLOSE. BUT WE NOW COME TO FIND OUT THAT A WAIVER
- 25 HAS BEEN ISSUED MONTHS AGO ON MARCH 7TH, BEHIND CLOSED DOORS,



- 1 THAT FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGES THE ORIGINAL C.U.P. TO ALLOW
- 2 OPERATIONS BEYOND 23 MILLION TONS. THERE WAS NO PUBLIC
- 3 HEARING, NO NOTICE GIVEN. NO DISCUSSION WITH THE COMMUNITY.
- 4 ZONING, THE REGULATORY AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR C.U.P.
- 5 ENFORCEMENT, WAS NOT NOTIFIED. THERE WAS NOTHING BUT A CLOSED
- 6 DOOR SIGNATURE AND AN ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE FUNDAMENTALLY
- 7 DESTROYING OUR COMMUNITY'S EXPECTATIONS OF CLOSURE AND SHORT-
- 8 CIRCUITING THE ENTIRE PROCESS. WHOEVER ISSUED THIS WAIVER DID
- 9 SO WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE LANDFILL'S PROPOSED
- 10 EXPANSION IS ALREADY A FOREGONE CONCLUSION. THE WAIVER IS AN
- 11 AFFRONT TO THE 20 YEAR LONG EXPECTATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY FOR
- 12 THE CLOSURE OF THE LANDFILL AND IT IS AN ASSAULT ON THE BOARD
- 13 OF SUPERVISORS' AUTHORITY OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. THE
- 14 LANDFILL CLAIMS THAT THEIR PROPOSED EXPANSION IS NECESSARY FOR
- 15 LOS ANGELES. IT ABSOLUTELY IS NOT. THERE IS A GLUT OF
- 16 AVAILABLE LANDFILL CAPACITY IN LOS ANGELES. MESQUITE CANYON
- 17 LANDFILL, WHICH HAS 100 YEARS OF CAPACITY IS NOW AVAILABLE TO
- 18 IMMEDIATELY START ACCEPTING TRASH.

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20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 22 SPEAKER: DISTINGUISHED BOARD MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME
- 23 THE CHANCE TO SPEAK. IT HAS COME TO CITIZENS FOR CHIOUITA
- 24 CANYON LANDFILL COMPLIANCE'S ATTENTION THAT THE CONDITIONAL
- 25 USE PERMIT FOR CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL HAS DELIBERATELY BEEN



- 1 IGNORED AND FLAT OUT VIOLATED BY CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL,
- 2 WHEN THEY KNOWINGLY EXCEEDED THE CONTRACT OF 23 MILLION TONS.
- 3 THAT IS NOT THE WORST OFFENSE. THE WORST OFFENSE IS WHEN
- 4 RICHARD BRUCKNER GAVE THEM A CLEAN HANDS WAIVER. SECTION 46 OF
- 5 THE C.U.P. STATES THE MAXIMUM TOTAL CAPACITY OF LANDFILL SHALL
- 6 BE 23 MILLION TONS. LANDFILL CLOSURE SHALL OCCUR WHEN THIS
- 7 CAPACITY IS REACHED. CONDITIONS WITH THE VAL VERDE CIVIC
- 8 ASSOCIATION AND THE LANDFILL AGREEMENT STATES, LAIDLAW AGREES
- 9 TO PARTICIPATE IN GOOD FAITH ON A REGULAR BASE WITH THE
- 10 COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND ASSIST WHEREVER POSSIBLE IN
- 11 FURTHERING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY OF VAL VERDE
- 12 AND THE LANDFILL, INCLUDING INFORMATION SHARING, EDUCATION,
- 13 UNDERSTANDING OF LANDFILL OPERATIONS AND RESPONSE TO CALLS.
- 14 LAIDLAW FURTHER AGREES TO FORWARD ALL NOTICE AND REPORTS FROM
- 15 OR TO ITS REGULATORY AGENCIES, TO THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY
- 16 COMMITTEE WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF RECEIPT OF TRANSMISSION. NO
- 17 BOARD HAS BEEN NOTIFIED UNTIL YESTERDAY. MARCH 17TH WAS WHEN
- 18 THE CLEAN HANDS WAIVER WAS GRANTED, A LOT LONGER THAN FIVE
- 19 DAYS AGO. YESTERDAY I HAVE RECEIVED AN EMAIL FROM ZONING THAT
- 20 SAYS THE PUBLIC DID NOT NEED TO BE INFORMED. HOW CAN A C.U.P.
- 21 BE BROKEN AND BACK ROOM DEALS MADE BY RICHARD BRUCKNER? IT WAS
- 22 AND IS A CLEAR MESSAGE THAT C.U.P.S DO NOT MATTER AND THE
- 23 DRAFT E.I.R. PROCESS WILL BE A YES, NO MATTER WHAT. THE
- 24 COMMUNITY VOICE MEANS NOTHING. I AM ASKING THIS BOARD TO
- 25 INVESTIGATE RICHARD BRUCKNER'S ACTIONS IN THIS MATTER. I WOULD



- 1 ALSO LIKE TO REQUEST A REGIONAL PLANNING HEARING INTO THE
- 2 VIOLATION OF THE C.U.P. THANK YOU DISTINGUISHED BOARD MEMBERS
- 3 FOR HEARING ME.

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5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 7 LYNN PLAMBECK: MY NAME IS LYNN PLAMBECK. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF
- 8 SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT TO
- 9 ASK THAT THIS BOARD INVESTIGATE THE ACTIONS OF RICHARD
- 10 BRUCKNER, HEAD OF PLANNING, IN GRANTING, WE THINK WITHOUT
- 11 REASON, A CLEAN-HAND WAIVER TO SUBSTANTIALLY UNDERMINE THE
- 12 C.U.P. CONDITIONS OF THE CHIOUITA CANYON LANDFILL OF 1997
- 13 EXPANSION. I WOULD LIKE TO READ SOME OF THOSE CONDITIONS TO
- 14 YOU. NUMBER 8, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ANY PERSON
- 15 INTENTIONALLY VIOLATING A PROVISION OF THIS GRANT IS GUILTY OF
- 16 A MISDEMEANOR. NUMBER 44. PERMITTEE SHALL COMPLY WITH THE
- 17 STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING ENTERED INTO WITH CERTAIN COMMUNITY
- 18 REPRESENTATIVES ON FEBRUARY 21ST AND 24TH, 1997. THAT SAYS THE
- 19 LANDFILL SHALL BE CLOSED AFTER 23 MILLION TONS IS REACHED AND
- 20 THAT THEY SHALL BE NOTIFIED WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF ANY CHANGES,
- 21 ANY NOTICES, ANY AGENDAS. NOBODY RECEIVED ANYTHING. THIS WAS A
- 22 BACK ROOM DEAL. HE HAS UNDERMINED YOUR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL
- 23 THAT YOU ALL VOTED ON TO PROTECT THIS COMMUNITY. NUMBER 46, A
- 24 MAXIMUM TOTAL CAPACITY OF THE LANDFILL SHALL BE 23 MILLION
- 25 TONS. LANDFILL CLOSURE SHALL OCCUR WHEN THIS CAPACITY IS

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- 1 REACHED. THERE IS NO EMERGENCY HERE. THEY KNEW THEY WERE
- 2 REACHING THIS. THEY FAILED TO NOTIFY THE COMMUNITY. THEY
- 3 FAILED TO NOTIFY THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION. SOMETHING IS WRONG
- 4 HERE. ONE MAN HAS UNDERMINED WHAT YOU AGREE TO DO TO PROTECT
- 5 THIS COMMUNITY. I ASK THAT YOU INVESTIGATE THIS. THAT YOU
- 6 INVESTIGATE MR. BRUCKNER'S ACTIONS. AND THAT YOU DIRECT
- 7 PUBLIC, THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON
- 8 THIS MATTER SO THAT THE COMMUNITY CAN BE HEARD. SOMETHING IS
- 9 REALLY WRONG HERE, SUPERVISORS. SOMETHING IS REALLY WRONG.
- 10 THIS COMMUNITY NEEDS TO BE PROTECTED. AND YOUR CONDITIONS OF
- 11 APPROVAL NEED TO BE FOLLOWED. AND YOU SHOULD NOT LET YOUR
- 12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UNDERMINE THEM.

14 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER?

16 ZANE MICHAEL: HI THERE. MY NAME IS ZANE MICHAEL. AND I'M 18

- 17 YEARS OLD AND I'M A CURRENT LUX [PH?] ALUM. COLLEGE BOUND
- 18 THANKS TO YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH. AND ABOUT A WEEK AGO I WAS
- 19 GIVEN THE PRIVILEGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS OPERATION CALLED
- 20 R.T.S.A., ROAD TO SUCCESS ACADEMY, AND IT WAS INCREDIBLE. YET
- 21 ABOUT HALFWAY DOWN THE LINE OF ME GETTING TO WORK WITH THEM, I
- 22 FOUND OUT THAT THEY HAD ALL BEEN INCARCERATED AT ONE POINT.
- 23 AND I WAS JUST SHOCKED BY THE FACT THAT THESE KIDS HAD BEEN IN
- 24 PRISON, WERE CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PAROLE AND EACH OF THEM
- 25 WERE INCREDIBLY TALENTED. INCREDIBLY AMAZING. POETRY, STORIES,



- 1 IT WAS FLABBERGASTING. AND AFTER THAT, I STARTED LOOKING
- 2 THROUGH A FEW THINGS AND I WAS WONDERING HOW MANY FOSTER KIDS
- 3 END UP IN JAIL LIKE THEM? THE NUMBERS ARE STAGGERING. I
- 4 BELIEVE, FROM A FRIEND OF MINE WHO WORKS IN FOSTER CARE SAID
- 5 THAT THE NUMBER OF CRIMINALS WHO-- THE NUMBER OF CRIMINALS WHO
- 6 HAPPEN TO COME FROM FOSTER HOMES, THE NUMBERS IN THE 70
- 7 PERCENT, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT THAT'S EXACTLY ACCURATE.
- 8 HOWEVER, A DENISE C. HERTZ REPORTED ON MAY 2015 THAT 32
- 9 PERCENT OF THE ARRESTED FOSTER YOUTH CAME FROM GROUP HOMES.
- 10 NOW, I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL USED TO BE A PERFORMER. I
- 11 IMAGINE THAT YOU ALL USED TO OR STILL DO SUPPORT THE ARTS.
- 12 NOW, I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU MIGHT DO THIS, PERHAPS THROUGH A
- 13 PROGRAM IN THE SCHOOL TO HELP FOSTER KIDS SPECIFICALLY SO THEY
- 14 COULD BE REHABILITATED THROUGH THE ARTS TO PREVENT CRIME. NOW,
- 15 I'VE BEEN EXPOSED TO THE ARTS MY ENTIRE LIFE AND IT'S ALWAYS
- 16 BEEN A POSITIVE FORCE. IT CAN PREVENT CRIME. IT CAN PREVENT
- 17 THESE KIDS FROM GOING TO JUVIE. IT IS A WONDERFUL FORCE THAT
- 18 SHOULD PROBABLY BE EXAMINED. IF I MAY MAKE MY CLOSING
- 19 STATEMENT, THE EXPANSION OF THE ARTS TO THOSE WHO WISH TO
- 20 BRING THEMSELVES UP BY THEIR BOOTSTRAPS CAN DO NOTHING BUT
- 21 GOOD, AS I WITNESSED LAST WEEK.

23 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

25 ZANE MICHAEL: THANK YOU.



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2 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER?

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- 4 JUAN LEAL: HELLO, HI. I APOLOGIZE AHEAD OF TIME. THIS IS MY
- 5 FIRST TIME SPEAKING AT A COUNTY BOARD MEETING. I MAY BE
- 6 NERVOUS AND MAY STUTTER AT TIMES. I QUICKLY FOUND OUT--

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8 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WHAT IS YOUR NAME, SIR?

- 10 JUAN LEAL: JUAN LEAL, I'M SORRY. I QUICKLY FOUND OUT AT A
- 11 CITY, COUNTY, I'M SORRY AT A CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT LANCASTER
- 12 THAT-- RUNNING OUT OF TIME, I'LL BE AS PROMPT AS I CAN. I
- 13 WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE IT IF SOMEONE COULD REACH OUT TO ME AND
- 14 THEN GIVE ME MORE INFORMATION ONCE MY TIME RUNS OUT. I WAS
- 15 FALSELY ARRESTED, AND MALICIOUSLY PROSECUTED OUT OF CITY OF
- 16 LANCASTER FOR REPORTING ON SEVERAL VIOLATIONS OF LAW REGARDING
- 17 A LAND CAP GROUP HOME FALLING UNDER THE CITY ORDINANCE IN
- 18 LANCASTER. A LOT OF THE VIOLATIONS ALSO WERE PART OF A HOME-
- 19 BASED OCCUPATIONS COUNTY ORDINANCE. MULTIPLE, MULTIPLE,
- 20 MULTIPLE VIOLATIONS OF LAW, HAZARDS TO OUR AIR, OUR WATER, OUR
- 21 WAY OF LIVING, OUR ENJOYMENT OF LIFE. AFTER MY CASE--
- 22 ACTUALLY, AFTER MY CASE AND EVERY CHARGE WAS DISMISSED, I
- 23 CALLED CITY HALL IN LANCASTER AND ASKED THEM, I ASKED TO MAKE
- 24 A LEGAL INQUIRY CONCERNING THOSE MATTERS AND MANY OTHERS
- 25 HAVING TO DO WITH VIOLATIONS OF LAW. I GOT A VERY DISTURBING



- 1 RESPONSE IN THE FORM OF DEPUTY JORDAN BEING SENT OUT ON BEHALF
- 2 OF CITY OF LANCASTER. I HAVE THE VIDEO IF YOU GUYS NEED IT. I
- 3 CAN EMAIL YOU MUCH, MUCH MORE INFORMATION. I'M STATING, YOU'VE
- 4 ALREADY MADE THE REPORT. YOU'VE ALREADY TOLD THE CITY THAT
- 5 IT'S DOING THAT. THEY DON'T CARE AND THEY DON'T WANT TO DO
- 6 ANYTHING WITH IT. THAT'S IT. THERE'S NO MORE. IF YOU DON'T
- 7 LIKE THE CITY OF LANCASTER, THEN SELL YOUR HOUSE. THEY'RE
- 8 CHOOSING NOT TO ENFORCE IT. NOW WHEN PUBLIC OFFICIALS NEGLECT-
- 9 WHEN YOU CALL PUBLIC OFFICIALS, THEY DON'T DO ANYTHING,
- 10 THAT'S NEGLECT. BUT WHEN THEY TELL YOU THEY DON'T CARE AND
- 11 DON'T WANT TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT. I THINK THAT'S RUNNING
- 12 ALONG THE LINES OF GROSS NEGLECT AND I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE
- 13 IT IF SOMEONE WOULD INVESTIGATE THESE MATTERS PLEASE. THANK
- 14 YOU VERY MUCH. APPRECIATE IT.

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16 ARNOLD SACHS: YES.

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- 18 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OR ARNOLD SACHS, THAT'S FINE.
- 19 WHOEVER.

- 21 ARNOLD SACHS: YOU NEED TO START THE TIME OVER. THANK YOU. GOOD
- 22 AFTERNOON. WHAT'S THAT LINE FROM CASABLANCA? GAMBLING AT
- 23 RICK'S? I'M SHOCKED! HERE'S YOUR WINNINGS, INSPECTOR. I'M
- 24 THINKING COUNTY AND LANDFILLS. MAYBE THOSE PEOPLE AREN'T
- 25 INFORMED OF THE SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL DEBACLE THAT WAS



- 1 HEARD HERE IN A PUBLIC HEARING, WHERE THE INPUT WAS DOUBLED.
- 2 REMEMBER THAT BACK IN 2008? INPUT DOUBLED FROM 6,000 TONS A
- 3 DAY TO 12,100 TONS A DAY? 36,000 TONS A WEEK TO 66,000 TONS A
- 4 WEEK. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OTHER 6,600 TONS? WHO KNOWS. COUNTY
- 5 AND TRASH COMPANIES. THERE IS SOMETHING TO BE SAID FOR THAT.
- 6 AND I'M SOMEWHAT SURPRISED, THOUGH, JUST CHANGING GEARS. YOU
- 7 DIDN'T MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR AUDIT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
- 8 FOR GOVERNMENTAL-- IMPROPER GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES. I WAS
- 9 WONDERING, MAYBE YOU COULD TALK TO THE STATE LEGISLATOR WHO
- 10 YOU'RE ASKING TO DO THIS AUDIT ABOUT THE WASTE OF GOVERNMENT
- 11 FUNDS YOU HAVE. I BELIEVE FOR THE MEETINGS YOU HOLD HERE, YOU
- 12 HAVE A WHOLE SESSION OF PRESENTATIONS AND WHO, WHAT AND
- 13 WHATNOT, BEFORE THE MEETING ACTUALLY STARTS. SO ISN'T THAT A
- 14 WASTE OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS WHEN YOU HAVE ALL THESE GOVERNMENT
- 15 EMPLOYEES STANDING AROUND FOR THESE PRESENTATIONS AND IT'S NOT
- 16 REALLY PART OF THE MEETING? BECAUSE YOU SEPARATE YOUR MEETING
- 17 WITH THIS QUOTE/UNQUOTE ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE RULES FOR THE
- 18 PRESENTATION AT THE MEETING. SO THE PRESENTATIONS BEFORE THE
- 19 ANNOUNCEMENT ARE NOT NECESSARILY A FUNCTION OF A MEETING. DO
- 20 IT ON YOUR OWN TIME. YOU'RE SO HARD UP FOR MONEY. DO IT ON
- 21 YOUR OWN TIME. LET'S INVESTIGATE THAT, MAYBE.

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23 ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD

- 24 DISTRICT. THIS MORNING THERE WAS A CONFERENCE CALL FROM A
- 25 COMPANY CALLED NEWCASTLE CORPORATION. THEY ARE THE GROUP THAT



- 1 HOLDS MANY OF OUR COUNTY GOLF CONTRACTS THAT ARE HELD BY--
- 2 WORKING WITH AMERICAN GOLF. NOW, THERE WAS SOME DISTURBING
- 3 REVELATIONS IN THAT CONFERENCE CALL IF I HEARD IT CORRECTLY. I
- 4 HEARD THAT THE PLAYERS CLUB, WHICH THE COUNTY COUNSEL HAS
- 5 SYSTEMATICALLY REFUSED TO SHARE NUMBERS AS TO HOW MANY MEMBERS
- 6 ARE IN THE PLAYERS CLUB, THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A PROGRAM THAT
- 7 LOWERS THE ENTRY POINT FOR GOLF FOR SOME FOLKS, BUT BY
- 8 DISCOUNTING CARTS AND OTHER THINGS AND BILLING THEM AT THE
- 9 CHEAPER DRIVING RANGE RATE. SO IT'S KIND OF A SLEIGHT OF HAND,
- 10 WE TRIED TO GET THE BIG NUMBER BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT. THEY
- 11 ARE RUNNING A 25 PERCENT PROFIT MARGIN, NEWCASTLE CORPORATION,
- 12 THEY ANNOUNCED THIS MORNING ON THE PLAYERS CLUB. SO I JUST
- 13 WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL NEEDS TO PUT THE
- 14 PRESSURE ON THE PROVIDER TO DISCLOSE THOSE NUMBERS BECAUSE
- 15 IT'S IMPORTANT. AND THIS GROUP AS WE'VE SEEN HAS HAD SOME
- 16 DISCLOSURE PROBLEMS. ANOTHER DETAIL THAT I JUST THINK MAYBE
- 17 TOLNAY, WHERE'S HEFETZ, BECAUSE HE'S THE SPECIALIST IN THIS
- 18 AREA. THEY ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT AMONG THEIR-- AMERICAN GOLF HAS
- 19 80 SOMETHING GOLF COURSES MUNICIPALS, ONLY A SMALL NUMBER OF
- 20 THEM ARE COUNTY-RUN IN OUR COUNTY. BUT WHAT THEY'VE DONE IS
- 21 TAKEN OUT A WHOPPING LOAN, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I KNOW YOU KNOW
- 22 ABOUT LENDING. THIS IS A \$200 MILLION PLUS LOAN AGAINST SOME
- 23 OF THEIR GOLF COURSES. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THOSE ARE THE
- 24 L.A. COUNTY COURSES BUT I WANT TO BE ABSOLUTELY SURE BECAUSE
- 25 IF THEY WERE, THERE WOULD NEED TO BE SOME DISCLOSURES. MR.

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- 1 TOLNAY, MR. HEFETZ, MS. WICKHAM, WHERE OUR DISCLOSURE IS NOT
- 2 THE BUSINESS OF NEWCASTLE INVESTMENT CORPORATION. MISLEADING
- 3 IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT LEADERS IN ORDER TO GET WHAT THEY LIKE IS
- 4 WHAT THEY DO AND WHAT THEY DO ACROSS THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING IN
- 5 WISCONSIN, WHERE THEY GOT SCOTT WALKER RIGHT IN THE LITTLE
- 6 CANOE WITH THEM, TO PROVIDE A \$250 MILLION INCENTIVE-- YOU
- 7 KNOW WHO SCOTT WALKER IS, I ASSUME, THE ENEMY OF LABOR, SO NOT
- 8 NECESSARILY A FRIEND OF LABOR, BUT NONETHELESS, THE GOVERNOR
- 9 OF WISCONSIN GOT A LOT OF STATE FUNDING TO PROVIDE AN ARENA--

11 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? THANK YOU.

13 OSCAR MOHAMMAD: YES. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK WE GOT HATE IN

- 14 POLITICS. EVERY GUY SAID IT, CHIEF BECKS AND WHO ELSE?
- 15 BIGOTRY. THAT'S AN OLD ARABIC WORD. BIGOTRY MEANS HYPOCRITES,
- 16 A PERSON EXTREMELY INTOLERANT, DEVOTED TO HIS OR OWN OPINION
- 17 AND FOR JUSTICE, AND ONE WHO REGARDS THE TRUST AND TREATS
- 18 MEMBERS OF A GROUP WITH RACIST AND ETHNIC GROUPS WITH HATE AND
- 19 INTOLERANCE. AND THIS SHOULD BE UNAMERICAN. BUT ANYWAY, THE
- 20 AFRICANS CAME HERE FIRST AND THEY SET UP THE FIRST GOVERNMENT
- 21 CONTINENTAL CONGRESS. THE JEWS CAME AND THE EUROPEANS CAME TO
- 22 BRING CORRUPTION TO THE LAND AND THEY HAVE BEEN DOING A GREAT
- 23 JOB. ANYWAY, THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION OF LIBERIA AND THE
- 24 UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION ARE THE SAME BOOK. WE DON'T HEAR
- 25 THE TRUTH TOO OFTEN, THOUGH. THEY BROUGHT EVERYTHING TO



- 1 AMERICA. THE AFRICANS DEFENDED THIS COUNTRY FROM BRITISH, FROM
- 2 THE FIRST MILITARY, CALLED THE CONTINENTAL [INAUDIBLE] AFRICA.
- 3 WHEN NO OTHER GROUP IN THIS COUNTRY THEN HAD ANY AUTHORITY.
- 4 BUT WE SHOULD REMOVE THE BLACKS OFF OF SKID ROW. ONE WRITER
- 5 SAID THAT WE SHOULD GIVE THE BLACKS A TICKET AND A LUNCH BAG
- 6 AND SEND THEM BACK TO WHERE THEY CAME FROM, AND TRY TO CLEAN
- 7 SKID ROW UP. YOU FIND THE ANIMALS LIVING WITH MORE DECENCY
- 8 THAN THE BLACKS ON SKID ROW. AND WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE HUMAN
- 9 BEINGS AND LIVING IN THE SIDEWALK AND DYING ON THE LAND OF
- 10 PLENTY. ALL RACES GOING ON SKID ROW DIE, BLACKS, WHITES,
- 11 KOREANS AND EVERYTHING, THAT'S GOING OUT THERE, DYING NOW AND
- 12 THE POLICEMAN CONTINUE TO RUN OVER FOLKS. THEY TRIED TO RUN ME
- 13 OVER ON THE SIDEWALK. I GET OUT OF THEIR WAY. POLICE TRIED TO
- 14 RUN ME IN THE ALLEY THE OTHER NIGHT. THEY TRIED KIDNAPPING ME
- 15 ON THE TRAIN. I GET ON THE TRAIN AT 7 AND GRAND AND THE TRAIN
- 16 STOPPED AT EXPOSITION AND CRENSHAW. THIS IS THE KIND OF
- 17 SOCIETY WE'RE LIVING IN BECAUSE WE JUST HATE. WE'RE A SOCIETY
- 18 OF HATE. LEADERSHIP OF HATE.

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20 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 22 DARRELL KRUSE: THANK YOU. HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I AM DARRELL
- 23 KRUSE. IN THE 2005 I THOUGHT I HAD AN AGREEMENT WITH THE
- 24 SUPERVISORS. RICK VELASQUEZ FROM DON KNABE'S OFFICE CAME OUT
- 25 TO MY DISPENSARY LOCATION IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. HE SAID HE HAD A



- 1 DEAL. HE HAD AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DISPENSARY IN HACIENDA
- 2 HEIGHTS. AND HE WANTED TO MAKE THE SAME AGREEMENT WITH ME, AND
- 3 WE AGREED. AND THAT AGREEMENT WAS FOR US NOT TO OPERATE. NOW,
- 4 THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEETING ON TUESDAY THE NEXT WEEK MAY 31ST,
- 5 2005, THE OTHER PEOPLE STOOD UP AND SAID THEY WERE OPERATING
- 6 AND THEY GOT TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE FOR TWO YEARS. DON KNABE,
- 7 A NUMBER OF WEEKS AGO SAID THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT. AND I'M
- 8 TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THE PAPER SAID
- 9 THAT THEY QUOTED HIM AS SAYING HE WAS ABSOLUTELY OUTRAGED AND
- 10 THAT THEY WERE DISINGENUOUS IN OPERATING, I'M TRYING TO FIGURE
- 11 OUT WHAT HE MEANS BY THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT. IS HE SAYING
- 12 THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT WITH ME? OR THERE WAS NO AGREEMENT WITH
- 13 THE OTHER PEOPLE? DID RICK VELASQUEZ COME TO ME, TELL ME HE
- 14 HAD AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OTHER PEOPLE WHEN HE DIDN'T HAVE AN
- 15 AGREEMENT WITH THE OTHER PEOPLE? I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW
- 16 THERE WAS THERE WASN'T AN AGREEMENT. BUT THEN YOU LOOK AT THE
- 17 JULY JULY 12, 2005 BOARD MEETING YOU WILL SEE THAT I WAS A
- 18 LITTLE CONCERNED AND I TALKED TO RICK BEFORE THE MEETING. AND
- 19 THEY TRIED TO PUT MY CONCERNS AT REST. THEY COMPLIMENTED MY
- 20 BEHAVIOR. HE ALSO SAID NOT TO WORRY ABOUT IT, THAT THEY WERE
- 21 NOT GOING TO BAN IT AND THAT THEY WERE GOING TO CONTINUE TO
- 22 WORK WITH ME.

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24 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MS. WARD.



- 1 SHELIAH WARD: GREETINGS. CHIEF COMMANDER EMPRESS, GODDESS,
- 2 AMBASSADOR SHELIAH WARD FOR THE BLACK ICON INDIANS. I'M HERE
- 3 TODAY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT TO TALK ABOUT I'M A 65-YEAR-OLD
- 4 SENIOR. I HAVE NOT RECEIVED MY MEDI-CAL CARD. I WAS IN AN
- 5 AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT, HIT-AND-RUN APRIL 29TH. I HAVEN'T GOTTEN
- 6 PROPER TREATMENT SINCE. I HAVE NUMBNESS IN MY RIGHT HAND. I
- 7 CAN'T WRITE, CAN'T SIGN MY NAME. IT'S CURLING UP, TURNING INTO
- 8 ARTHRITIS. AND I CAN'T GET TREATMENT OR HELP FROM ANYWHERE.
- 9 AND I'M A SO-CALLED CITIZEN AND I'M AN INTELLIGENT PERSON,
- 10 BORN IN THIS COUNTRY. SO I'VE BEEN ACCUSED OF BEING BLACK.
- 11 THEY SAY SHELIAH, IF YOU WERE WHITE, THAT WOULDN'T BE
- 12 HAPPENING TO YOU. AND I THOUGHT ABOUT IT AND I SAID YOU KNOW,
- 13 YOUR DARN COOKIE. SO I WAS HIT, DAMAGED BY A BUS. I LOST THAT
- 14 CASE. WASN'T MY FAULT. I DIDN'T CLOSE THE BACK DOOR ON ME AS I
- 15 WAS LEAVING THE BUS. I WAS EXITING A TRAIN ON THE BLUE LINE AT
- 16 PICO STATION AND I DIDN'T KNOW I WAS SUPPOSED TO STEP UP TO
- 17 GET OFF THE TRAIN. I FELL AND ALMOST TUMBLED ONTO THE ONCOMING
- 18 TRAIN BUT BECAUSE I'M A GYMNAST, FIRST ONE IN MY FAMILY, NOT
- 19 GABBY DOUGLAS. AND I FELL AND BROKE MY FALL AND DIDN'T DIE IN
- 20 THE ONCOMING TRAIN. THIS IS A CONSPIRACY, IN MY OPINION. I'M
- 21 NOT PARANOID. NEVER WAS AND I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANYTHING. I'VE
- 22 BEEN READY TO DIE AND LEAVE THIS PLANET SINCE I WAS 8 AND
- 23 DIDN'T WANT TO TURN 9 WHEN MY MOTHER MOVED TO NEW ORLEANS, AND
- 24 I HAD TO SIT AT THE BACK OF THE BUS, GO TO SWAGMAN'S
- 25 SUPERMARKET AND GO IN ONLINE BECAUSE I WAS BLACK AND I

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COULDN'T GO IN THE 50 SOME LINES. ONLY JEWS AND PERSIANS AND 1 OTHER RACES COULD GO IN THE SWAGMAN SUPERMARKET LINE ON THE 2 3 WEEKENDS BUT NOT THE BLACK PEOPLE. BLOND AND BLUE WENT THROUGH MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. WHERE IS MY MEDI-CAL CARD? 4 5 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MEMBERS, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC 6 7 COMMENT. WE'LL NOW GET READ INTO CLOSED SESSION. 8 9 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF 10 11 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. C.S.-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING 12 13 LITIGATION, ITEM C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AND 14 15 ITEM C.S.-3, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS 16 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24



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